

FIRST Election Held This Year

Will be Today.

Oregon Inaugurates the Battle.

The Entire Union Watches for the Result With Great Interest..

As it is the Preliminary Skirmish Occurring Before Either of the National Con- ventions.

The first state election this year having any bearing on the presidential contest is that Oregon held today, and for this reason considerable interest is being manifested in the result which is in doubt, as both political parties admit. McKinley carried the state in 1896 by a plurality of only 2,317 in a total vote of 97,337, of which the Palmer-Buckner Democrats cast 997 and the Prohibitionists 919. On a vote of 84,513 in 1898 the Republican ticket was elected by a plurality of 10,734, while the populists polled 2566, and Prohibitionists 2,212.

At the election there today there are to be chosen a Judge of the Supreme Court, a Food and Dairy Commissioner, two Representatives in Congress and seventy-five members of the Legislature. It is believed that the active contest will be over the Congressmen. The Republicans have nominated Thomas H. Tongue and Mauden A. Moody, and the Democrats have named Dr. Bernard Daly and William C. Smith. Daly has preserved his party regularity, although not in sympathy with the 16 to 30 idea and Smith is an uncompromising advocate of silver. The Democratic ticket is practically a fusion of the Democratic, Silver Republican and Populist elements. The Republican platform endorses the Republican administration, the course of the party in Congress and favors President McKinley's renomination. The Democratic party condemns imperialism, militarism and the Porto Rico and Dingley tariffs. It supports the Chicago platform, the ultimate independence of the Philippines and offers sympathy to the Boers.

The Democratic ticket, as the result of the fusion movement, will be strengthened by the support of the Populists, the Silver Republicans, as well as the Prohibitionists, who, from all accounts, have put no ticket in the field, therefore it is evident the election in Oregon will cause the Democracy to put forth their best efforts because the prospects of success at the polls are most encouraging as matters now stand. In this connection it is well to remark that while the fusion allies appear to be united, the Republicans are not altogether harmonious. Representatives Tongue and Moody and Senator McBride, whose successor is to be elected by the new Legislature, voted for the Porto Rican bill. Senator Simon voted against it. He is now the leader of the Republican party in Oregon, and it is said that he is averse to the re-election of Senator McBride, although sincerely desirous of the election of the Republican Legislature. While Oregon is normally Republican, it has an independent constituency. It is not believed that the Democrats can make any gains on the money question; but they are vigorously attacking the particular its attitude towards the colonies.

Aside from Oregon there are six other States to hold elections prior to the presidential election of November, and they will come in the following order: North Carolina, August 2; Alabama, August 6; Arkansas, September 3; Vermont, September 4; Maine, September 10, and Georgia, October 3. The outcome in North Carolina, Alabama, Arkansas, Vermont and Georgia cannot be expected to have much political significance, except as showing Bryan will carry four of the States as he did in 1896, and McKinley one. The elections in Maine and Oregon are unusually watched with considerable interest, however, for any bearing they may have on the presidential contest. The election in Oregon will be awaited with more than usual interest this year, because it comes before both of the great National conventions.

MRS. JOHN SHERMAN Suffering From the Effects of a Stroke of Paralysis.

Special by Associated Press.
Mansfield, Ohio, June 4.—Mrs. John Sherman suffered another stroke of paralysis Sunday afternoon. The attending physicians express little hopes of her recovery. Physicians were at her bedside all night. She is not much improved this morning.

TWO FROM LIMA. Dr. Whitlock and Dr. Waters Chosen as Delegates to London.

Dr. E. D. Whitlock and Dr. W. G. Waters, of the Central Ohio M. E. conference, were chosen at the General Conference at Chicago, to represent this conference at the Ecumenical conference in London, England, in 1901. This is a high honor for Dr. Whitlock, our former townsman, and his many friends are pleased to learn of his good fortune.—Kenton News-Republican.

Both of the above delegates are from Lima. Dr. Whitlock being the present pastor of Trinity church, and Dr. Waters, who formerly filled the same pulpit is at present a presiding elder of this district.

END Will Come On Next Wednesday.

Will be Relief

To the People of Entire Republic

When Present Extravagant Congress Quits and Its Members Go Home,

Where They Will be Powerless to Further Add to the Public Burden by Iniquitous Legislation.

Special by Associated Press.
Washington, June 4.—Conference reports on appropriation and other bills promise to occupy the attention of the house during the closing days of the session. Only one piece of general legislation seriously threatens the program—the Grant oblongation bill. The friends of this measure have been very insistent and have threatened, in case the senate does not agree to the resolution for final adjustment on Wednesday, to hold up any amended resolution until they can have an opportunity to vote on their bill. There are a considerable number of disputed items on the appropriation bills which the house will probably settle by direct vote—the appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the St. Louis exposition and some less important items which the senate placed upon the sundry civil bill; the armor plate provision and the paragraphs relative to ocean and like surveys and the abolition of the sea course for naval cadets in the naval appropriation bill, and the Miles-Corbin amendment on the military academy bill.

There is nothing on the horizon which threatens to prevent final adjournment on Wednesday.
Ready to Adjourn.
Washington, June 4.—There is now hardly any doubt that the senate will agree to the house resolution to adjourn the session next Wednesday. The passage of the last of the appropriation bills, which was accomplished Saturday, leaves no obstacle in the way of final adjournment except the amendments made to those bills by the senate, and the opinion is now almost universal that these differences can be adjusted and all the business of the session concluded by the time named. The remainder of the session will be given up to conference reports on the appropriations, to the consideration of comparatively unimportant bills on the calendar and to the making of speeches on political questions.

ARM BROKEN.

The three year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Burkett fell off of a chair yesterday morning and sustained a fracture of the right forearm. Dr. M. M. Mough attended the injury.

NO! Was the Decisive Answer.

It Must Not Be

To Change from Psalms to Hymns

Would be a Substitution Sim- ilar to That of Chang- ing the Bible

For Some Work of Prose, Say the Reformed Presbyterians, and No Hymns Will be Sung in Their Service.

Special by Associated Press.
Cedarville, O., June 4.—The Reformed Presbyterian synod decided to meet next year May 29th, at Pittsburg, Pa. The synod passed a resolution recommending that congregations of that church add the starring millions in India. The committee on Psalms proposed a resolution which was adopted that the substitution of hymns for Psalms in public worship is the same as the substitution of works of prose for some other books of the bible. The committee on systematic beneficence reported urging members to give one-tenth of their income to the church.

TWO Candidates from Allen County

Will Go Before the Conven- tion Tomorrow.

John Amstutz, of Bluffton, and John Keith, of Spencerville, Both Candidates for the Same Position.

Tomorrow the District Convention for the nomination of a Member of the State Board of Equalization will be held at Van Wert. The District in which the members of this Board chosen is co-extensive with that in which members of the Ohio State Senate are selected and includes the counties of Allen, Auglaize, Defiance, Mercer, Paulding, Van Wert and Williams. The vote of the various counties is as follows: Allen county, 46; Auglaize county, 40; Defiance county, 32; Mercer county, 40; Paulding county, 32; Van Wert county, 36, and Williams county 29. Total number of votes in the convention 255. Number necessary to a choice 128. No three counties will be able to secure a nomination. The three counties having the largest number of votes are Allen Auglaize and Mercer whose combined vote will be 126.

Allen county has two candidates for the position—John Amstutz, of Bluffton and John Keith, of Spencerville. The last train on which delegates can go to Van Wert in the morning and be there in time for the opening of the convention will be 8:30 on the P. Ft. W. & C. The convention will be called to order at 10 o'clock and this train will arrive there before that time. A good many from Lima will go over.

FAILED TO PROSECUTE

And Biracree Was Discharged With- out a Hearing.

Bernard Biracree, of 929 Greenlawn avenue, who was held to answer to a peace warrant issued on complaint of Wm. Pangle, has been exonerated, no attempt being made by the complainant to sustain the charges. Biracree denies having had a revolver in his possession or threatening to use violence toward Pangle and was twice present in Justice Duffield's court to defend himself. Pangle failing to appear the case has been dismissed.

THE WEATHER.

Special by Associated Press.
Ohio: Fair to night and Tuesday.

HOTEL FIRE. A Disastrous Blaze in a Handsome New Structure.

Special by Associated Press.
Baltimore, Md., June 4.—Mount Holly, the new hotel rapidly approaching completion at Walbrook, a suburb of Baltimore, burned today. The loss was \$85,000, with insurance \$60,000.

SCALDED TO DEATH BY STEAM FROM A BURSTED FLUE.

Ed. Tolby, Brother of Louis B. Tolby, of This City, Killed on the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Louis P. Tolby was called to Missoula, Montana, Friday, by the news that his brother, Ed. Tolby, had been scalded by the bursting of a flue. He was met at St. Paul by the sad news of his brother's death. Mr. Ed. Tolby resided here several years ago and his many friends will be grieved to learn of his death. Mr. Tolby was employed on the Northern Pacific R. R. at the time of his death and leaves a widow to mourn his death.

HOT Campaign to be in Virginia.

Both Parties

Eager for Commence- ment of the Fray.

The Democrats Will Hold Their State Convention Next Week.

Steve Elkins, the Republican Senator, is Anxious to be Returned to the Senate. Term Expires in March.

Special by Associated Press.
Parkersburg, W. Va., June 4.—The Democratic state convention will meet here at noon Wednesday to select delegates and alternates at-large to the Kansas City convention and to nominate a full state ticket, including nominees for governor and all minor state officers. Considerable interest is taken in the selection of the new state committee for the reason that the Democrats propose to organize for the most vigorous campaign ever conducted in the state. The Democrats had an unbroken succession of power in this state until 1896, when Bryan failed to get its electoral vote, and since that time the Democrats of West Virginia have lost everything. The Republicans now have not only both United States senators, Elkins and Scott, and the congressmen, but also Governor Atkinson and all the state offices and institutions, and everything that goes with the general assembly, as they have had a majority in the last two legislatures. The turning point was in the last presidential campaign, and the Democrats are endeavoring to secure control of the state again in this presidential year, when there is really much more at stake than there was four years ago. The term of Senator Stephen B. Elkins expires next March, and he is the Republican leader who is credited more than any one man with reversing the political control of the state in recent years. He is the principal target for attack by the Democrats this time. The convention will consist of 943 delegates, 473 being necessary to a choice. The temporary organization of the convention will not be made until the state committee meets here on Tuesday evening, but it is understood that Hon. W. A. MacCorkle of Charleston, W. Va., who was the last Democratic governor of this state, will most likely be selected for temporary chairman of the convention.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Special by Associated Press.
Chicago, June 4.—Cattle, receipts, 10,500, higher; steers 5-675. Hogs, receipts, 39,000, opened lower, closed strong, 480-510. Sheep, receipts, 14,000, steady to strong, 5-550. Lambs, receipts, 1,000, steady, 6-75.

BOBS Tells the War Office a Little.

Bagged a Few

Burghers and Stores at Johannesburg.

The Boers May Trek and Continue the Campaign for a Long Period.

The Situation at Pretoria Remains an Enigma. Boers Show no Indications of Leaving Laing's Nek.

Special by Associated Press.
London, June 4.—Lord Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, has received the following from Lord Roberts, dated Orange Grove, June 2: "Johannesburg is quiet. The people are surrendering arms and ponies. Only three Boer guns were left in the fort. The Queen's Lanciers captured, May 30, a Creusot, with 11 wagons of stores and ammunition. Commandant Botha of Zoutpansberg, his field cornet and 100 prisoners were taken in the fighting around Johannesburg, some belonging to the foreign contingents and the Irish brigade. The Thirteenth yeomanry were attacked May 29 between Kroonstad and Lindley. There were some casualties."

"Owing to the interruption of the telegraph lines I only today received a report from Colonel Sprigg that his battalion of imperial yeomanry was attacked between Kroonstad and Lindley, May 29. Casualties to follow. The shops in Johannesburg are being opened and there seems to be a general feeling of relief at the peaceful outcome of the town. The proclamation announcing the annexation of the Orange Free State was made known at Bloemfontein May 25, by General Pretorius, military governor. It was well received."

London, June 4.—There is no direct news from Pretoria of later date than Thursday evening. General French's cavalry were then at Irene, eight miles south of Pretoria, and firing was heard there. Lord Roberts' messages about secondary operations elsewhere and the situation at Johannesburg, dated at Orange Grove, a farm 1500 miles northeast of Johannesburg, show that on Saturday at 9:10 p. m. he was 25 miles from Pretoria. The correspondents with Lord Roberts have not left Johannesburg. Official messages continue to come through, but press telegrams are held up, probably to avoid their giving even a hint as to what may be the pending operations. From the other side there filters through Lorenzo Marques a mass of statements, some contradictory, others obviously improbable, but all purporting to be facts. Passengers arriving at Lorenzo Marques Saturday direct from Pretoria say that the capital was preparing to surrender when they left Thursday. The forts were dismantled. The Boer guard at Komati Poort searched all trains and turned back most of the fugitives, among them deserting foreigners, who were striving to reach neutral soil. Pretoria is pictured by the refugees as in a state of indescribable confusion and chaos. The populace are dismayed and the British expected hourly.

Flying among the Boers are reports that the British have been beaten back at Lindley, with heavy loss, that the main attack on Elandsfontein failed, and Lord Roberts was forced to retire to Klipriviersburg; that the railway has been cut behind him south of Verreuging, and that a provision train has been captured. Without crediting any of the Boer bulletins, everything from the field of war behind Lord Roberts points to a great effort last week to paralyze his advance by a bold stroke from the eastward at the railway station north of Bloemfontein. Four Boer columns were in movement seemingly with this objective. There was a commando in front of General Brabant, near Ficksburg; another faced General Rundle, near Senekal; a third occupied Lindley and pressed toward the railway, and a fourth seized Hellbron and pushed toward Kroonstad. These operations, assuming them to have been independent, all appear to have failed. A revival of the Boer fighting power east of Lord Roberts' advance, although fruitless, is a symptom that the Boers are not yet crushed. In General Rundle's attack on the entrenched Boers seven miles east of Senekal, May 29, the British did not see a Boer all day, so completely were they screened. The British infantry did not get within 1,000 yards of their riflemen. The 122

losses wired by Lord Roberts were suffered by the Grenadiers and Scots Guards while advancing over a level from which the grass had been burned. The Britishers in khaki were a conspicuous target against the black background. General Rundle withdrew his whole force at sundown to Senekal, having succeeded in drawing the Boers from Lindley, allowing the threatened force to get away safely.

According to a dispatch to The Daily Telegraph from New Castle, dated Saturday, the Boers exhibit no signs of leaving Laing's Nek. Newspaper commentators here generally regard the situation at Pretoria as enigmatical. They rather expect news soon of the British occupation.

Boers Will Trek.
Berlin, June 4.—Dr. Reitz, the Transvaal state secretary, says in the Cologne Gazette that England will require a permanent garrison of 50,000 soldiers in the Transvaal, and that "rebellion may be expected for centuries." He believes that many Boers will trek to German South Africa.

TOWN HALL BURNED.

Special by Associated Press.
Foxboro, Mass., June 4.—The town hall which contains the high, grammar and three intermediate schools, burned today. One man was killed, three others injured, one of whom will probably die. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

DUTY Assigned Citizens Police.

Help is Needed

To Protect Passengers from Assault

When Alighting from the Cars of the St. Louis Transit Company.

Many Have Been Hurt With Sticks and Stones, and Women Have Had Their Clothing Almost Torn Off.

Special by Associated Press.
St. Louis, June 4.—Citizen members of the posse comitatus had their first experience with active service today, several companies were armed and assigned for guard duty at the Park avenue, Easton avenue and Southern Electric power houses of the company. The interference with passengers in some sections of the city by the strike sympathizers is becoming serious. Passengers alighting from cars along South Broadway have been repeatedly assaulted with sticks, stones and fists. Several women have been brutally beaten and the clothing almost torn off.

IMPORTANT DECLARATION

Made by Senate Committee Concern- ing Clayton-Bulwer Treaty.

Special by Associated Press.
Washington, June 4.—Mr. Morgan reports from the inter oceanic canals resolution declaring the Clayton-Bulwer treaty abrogated. He will call up the resolution to-morrow.

Mr. Allen asked that an hour be set aside to-day for the consideration of pension bills. Mr. Pettigrew objected. Mr. Teller, of Colorado, then addressed the Senate on the Philippine question.

AN AGREEMENT

Reached on a Number of Items on Ap- propriation Bill.

Special by Associated Press.
Washington, June 4.—The conferees of the two houses of congress agreed upon two-thirds of the 185 items in the disagreement on the sundry civil appropriation bill and have decided to report their disagreement of 61 of those items. The items of disagreement including those making appropriation for the St. Louis exposition and for a memorial bridge across the Potomac at Washington and also those relating to rivers and harbors and light houses and public buildings.

BOLD Attempt Made Last Night to

Hold Up Train

Ties were Placed on the Track

And the Engineer Compelled to Uncouple Mail and Express Car

And Remove Them Two Miles from the Remainder of the Train, Where Robbers Would Have a Clear Field.

Special by Associated Press.
Long Views, Texas, June 4.—An ineffectual attempt to rob the north bound "cannon ball" train on the International and Great Northern railroad was made shortly after midnight near Price's Switch, sixty miles south of this city. The train was stopped by ties on the track and the engineer compelled to uncouple the mail, baggage and express car and pull them two miles from the remainder of the train. The robbers then forced the fireman to break open the door of the express car. The messenger fired in the robbers who returned the fire. The engineer managed to escape and go to the engine pulled away leaving the robbers behind. He went to Jacksonville where he reported the work of robbers and at daybreak blood hounds were put on their trail.

WAS IT AGUINALDO?

Philippine Officer Shot in a Brush With Major March's Men.
Manilla, June 4.—Major March, with his detachment of the Thirty-third regiment, overtook what is believed to have been Aguinaldo's party, on May 19, at La Gat, about 100 miles north-east of Vigan. The Americans killed or wounded an officer, supposed to be Aguinaldo, whose body was removed by his followers.

Aguinaldo had 100 men, Major March 125. The American commander reached Labagan, where Aguinaldo had made his headquarters since March 6, on May 7. Aguinaldo had fled several hours before, leaving all the baggage, trails and traveling through the forest along the banks of streams. Toward evening, May 13, Major March struck Aguinaldo's outpost about a mile outside of La Gat, killing four Filipinos and capturing two. From the latter he learned that Aguinaldo had camped there for the night. Although exhausted and half starved, Major March's men entered La Gat on the run. They saw the insurgents scatter into the bushes or over the plateau. A thousand yards beyond the town, on the mountain side, the figures of 25 Filipinos, dressed in white, with their leader on a gray horse, were silhouetted against the sunset. The Americans fired a volley and saw the officer drop from his horse. His followers fled, carrying the body. The Americans on reaching the spot caught the horse, which was richly saddled. Blood from a badly wounded man was on the animal and on the ground. The saddlebags contained Aguinaldo's diary and some private papers, including proclamations. One of these was addressed "to the civilized nations." It protested against the American occupation of the Philippines. There were also found copies of Senator Beveridge's speech, translated into Spanish, and entitled, "The Death Knell of the Filipino People."

Fatal Freight Wreck.

Lima, O., June 4.—As an eastbound train on the Lake Erie and Western road was running at full speed, about 18 miles this side of Sandusky, the ties came off one of the driving wheels, ditching the engine and piling about 20 cars on top of it. Fireman Enoch Bowsher and Head Brakeman J. W. Purcell, who happened to be in the engine, were crushed to death, and Engineer Harry Bell had a leg broken and was seriously hurt internally.

Was a Counterfeiter.
Sweet Springs, Mo., June 4.—H. H. Massey, who is on his deathbed, has turned over to his attendants a complete silver counterfeiting outfit and several half-dollars of his own manufacture. He says he has been making spurious coin for 14 years, passing most of it away from home. His work is of good quality and readily passed as good money.

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Organ of the Democracy of Lima and Allen County.

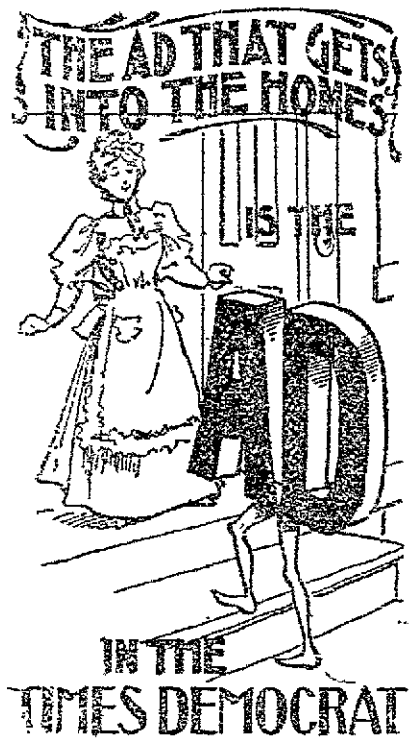
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DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Convention of Ohio will be held in the City of Columbus, Ohio, on June 12th and 13th, 1900, for the purpose of selecting four delegates at large to the Democratic National Convention to be held at Kansas City, Mo., July 3rd, 1900—also to nominate two presidential electors-at-large for the state of Ohio, and to nominate candidates for the following state offices:

Secretary of State.
Judge of Supreme Court.
Dairy and Food Commissioner.
Commissioner of Common Schools.
Member of Board of Public Works.

The basis of representation of delegates and alternates to this convention shall be one delegate and one alternate for each 500 votes or fraction of 250 cast for Hon. John R. McLean for governor in 1892.

All electors who voted for Hon. John R. McLean for governor, and all other electors who intend to support the Democratic nominees in 1900, are entitled to take part in the election of delegates to this convention.

All delegates and alternates to this convention elected after May 3rd, 1900, shall be chosen in such manner as may be designated, by the Democratic county central or controlling committee of each county.

No mass delegations to be admitted. The counties in this congressional district shall be entitled to the following number of delegates and alternates:

Allen county, 4564.....	9
Auglaize county, 4016.....	8
Darke county, 5623.....	11
Mercer county, 3987.....	8
Shelby county, 3595.....	7

The County Central Committee of each county of the state, where delegates are not yet selected, shall reaffirm this call. As to Cuyahoga county delegates—we recognize and designate the committee recognized by the last Democratic state convention at Zanesville in 1896. A. J. Grimsley, chairman, as the only proper Democratic committee in Cuyahoga county, with authority to arrange for the selection of Cuyahoga county's delegates to the coming state and other conventions, during their legal term of office.

WM. S. THOMAS, Chairman.
LOUIS REEMELIN, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The democrats of the Thirty-Second Senatorial district will meet in delegate convention at Van Wert, Ohio, on

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1900.

At ten o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating a candidate for member of the State Board of Equalization. The basis of representation in said convention will be one delegate for every 100 votes cast for Hon. John R. McLean for governor in 1899, and one delegate for every fraction of 50 votes or over so cast. Under this apportionment the several counties composing the district will have the following vote in the convention:

County.	Delegates.
Allen.....	48
Auglaize.....	48
Darke.....	52
Mercer.....	48
Shelby.....	40
Van Wert.....	32
Williams.....	28

Necessary to a choice..... 128
Majority of delegates..... 64
W. N. STANLEY, Sec'y.
Geo. W. KONTZ, Chairman.

The official successor to the magnificent Major Rathbone as director general of posts in Cuba has found it an easy matter to cut down headquarters' expenses by over \$42,000 a year, and that in scarcely a week's time. The simple device of eliminating the dead-ends in the business has worked already a 20 per cent. shrinkage in the Rathbone schedule of outlay. In the meantime the suspended officer is strutting around Havana and defying the government to interfere with him in any way. If he shall be molested, he declares, others will go down with him. There may be something back of this bluff; but, in any event, the administration should put the matter to the test. No derelict official should be granted immunity in order to shield other and perhaps greater offenders—at least, not in a presidential year.

It is stated, on good Republican authority, that Chairman Hanna will not conduct the next Republican campaign. The Washington correspondent of The Public Leader who cannot be accused of bias against the McKinley administration, says that Hanna's reported resignation raises the suspicion that it is "not due in all respects to the condition of his health." Shrewd politicians, with whose opinion the correspondent agrees, intimate that Chairman Hanna is "afraid to manage the campaign because it is a defensive contest on the part of the Republicans, with defeat possibly at the end of it." But, whatever else may be, thought of Chairman Hanna, there is little in his career to warrant the belief that he is made of such cowardly stuff as to quit the game from a fear of losing it. We expect him to emphatically deny all such intimations.—Phil. Record.

ON A CYCLONE'S CREST.

Kansas Family Took an Up to Date Ride in a Tornado Cave.
Martin Benge and family, who reside on a farm near Larned, had a most peculiar ride a few nights ago, says a Wichita (Kan.) dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean. Shut up in a cyclone cave, they sped across the prairies of western Kansas on the wings of a full fledged tornado. Benge says it beats an automobile all to pieces, although he has never tried an auto. But riders of horseless carriages cannot well dispute him, because few of them ever mounted a Kansas tornado and came out without a scratch.

When Benge came to Kansas from the east a couple of years ago, he decided that cyclones were just a little too frequent for him, so he set to work building a first class cave. He built it out of brick and stone and plastered it all over with cement. Then he covered the cave with dirt, leaving only a small entrance. This has served as a place of refuge in times of storm for the last two years. But there has never been a real tornado in that section until recently.

The clouds lowered and darkened early the other afternoon. Benge came home from the field, and he and his wife, with their three children, stood in the back yard and watched the swirling black mass in the heavens. About 5 o'clock a funnel shaped cloud came bounding along at a 240 clip. Here and there it would dip down and take up farmhouses, cows and horses. The Benges ran for the cellar. They closed the door and defied the tornado to do its worst. What followed can best be described in Mr. Benge's own words. He said:

"We could hear the storm approaching. Houses and flocks passed over us. We heard the house creak and split. Then it was lifted up and carried away. We sat quiet, thinking it was over, when all of a sudden we felt ourselves rising. My wife clutched at me, and I clutched at the floor. The cave swayed back and forth, and we lay flat on the floor. For an hour it seemed, but I guess it was only a few minutes, we experienced such a ride as only few have taken. Then it stopped. We lay perfectly still until all was quiet. I ventured to open the cave door. We were in the middle of a wheat field, and debris was scattered all about. It was fully a mile from our farm. You may not believe it, but sure as I live not a stone or brick was torn out of that cave. Our house was torn out to pieces. I cannot understand why the cave was undisturbed, but suppose it was picked up by a straight wind current."

In the cyclone that visited the section of country near Larned a dozen homes were wrecked, but no one was killed.

New Game of Draughts.

The venerable game of chess has found a competitor in a new game which has been started at Hamburg, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. The new game, "anitta," according to Professor Schubert, who has just published a treatise thereon, is the most spirited game of draughts of modern times. Like chess, anitta may be considered a game of war and, with its 30 pieces, represented by suns, moons and stars on 100 squares, offers many more combinations, since all the pieces, even the "beaten ones," remain on the board till the end of the game. The rules are said to be much more simple than those of chess.

Reducing Surpluses.

The Kansas farmers are going to the Paris exposition to be treated for their prosperity, says the Washington Post. Paris can be depended upon to cure them.

ON THE ROAD TO CIVILIZATION.



Porto Rico: "Say, mistah, is you buryin a fren of your'n?"
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CHAMP CLARK'S LETTER

More Republican Rascality Developing.

IS NOT CONFINED TO CUBA.

Corruption in the Washington Postoffice.

STAB ROUTE SCANDALS RIVALED.

Parasites of Certain Republican Statesmen Growing 'T at the Public Crib—One Man Drew Three Salaries—Sinecures For Job Lot of G. O. P. Henchmen—Able Men From the Lone Star State—Two Republican "Governors"—The Paper Trust.

(Special Washington Letter.)

Scandal, larceny and peculation! That story increases as the days go by. If the Democrats had had a working majority in this house, we would have unearthed enough Republican rascality and corruption to have carried the presidential election by at least 100 majority in the electoral college. Such a sweep would have given us the senate also. As for the house, there would not have been enough Republicans in the Fifty-seventh congress to have called for the years and days. No question that Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, could have been impeached and convicted for high crimes and misdemeanors in connection with the Hepburn bank ring.

Many persons have been hugging to their hearts the pleasant delusion that all the corruption is confined to Republican officials in Cuba and other outlying provinces, but it appears that all such fond and patriotic hopes are to be blasted. It seems that the postoffice department, especially the Washington city postoffice, has been and is the nesting place of the corrupt parasites of certain high and mighty Republican statesmen, a place to quarter their unsavory retainers upon the government where they can feed at the public crib until they are as obese as Dickens' fat boy, although not so sleepy as was that drowsy youth. No intention is entertained of casting any reflection herein upon the character or honesty of Hon. Charles Emory Smith, postmaster general. In my judgment he is an honorable and brilliant man, but unless the Washington Post is the most shameless liar since Ananias and Sapphira, that ill starred land transaction not only should a congressional investigation committee get in its work on the Washington city postoffice, but the grand jury would find lots of materials on which to base indictments for felony. The postoffice scandals are likely to rival the Star Route scandals in notoriety. Now, Republican swashbucklers and organ grinders, with Mark Hanna's boodle jangling in their pockets, need not rashly cry out that all this is a campaign lie, cooked up by free silver anarchists for election purposes.

Feeders at the Public Crib.

The Washington Post makes the charges, and it is by long odds the most ably edited paper in America friendly to the McKinley administration. It says:

Following are some of the allegations that call for inquiry:

Funds of the Washington city postoffice have been improperly disbursed over two years, the irregularities for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1898, amounting to \$25,000 to \$30,000, according to an expert's report to Controller Tracwell.

Numerous favorites have been carried on two and even three pay rolls at the same time at the Washington city postoffice and at other postoffices in the country. Oliver H. Smith of Indiana, now superintendent in the local service, was for about a year simultaneously auditor of local postal stations, laborer and painter of street letter boxes. He drew three salaries. Nathan R. (9) Baker of Indiana succeeded to Mr. Smith's emoluments.

Six women have long been carried on the rolls of the city postoffice as cleaners at \$400 a year, performing no work whatever and being paid on separate vouchers. Four men were for many months paid at the local postoffice, apparently to investigate claims of letter carriers, all the positions being sinecures.

John E. Jones, a newspaper reporter, was carried for many months as provision to the Washington city postoffice at \$1,700 a year.

Traveling expenses of department officials who were not on public business, trips for private citizens only nominally connected with the government service, have been paid to the extent of legs of thousands of dollars out of funds strictly

belonging to the Washington postoffice and out of the military postal fund.

If the postmaster general wishes to thoroughly investigate the affairs here referred to, The Post suggests that he secure the testimony of the following witnesses among others:

Joseph L. Brewster, fourth assistant postmaster general.

Chief Inspector Cochran of the postoffice department.

George W. Peavers, chief of the salary and allowance division.

A. H. Scott, now in this city, who was the former chief of that division.

Samuel W. Tuley, formerly cashier of the Washington city postoffice, but suddenly discharged after many years of faithful service.

Mr. J. Edwin Wilson, fourth assistant postmaster of Washington, but now an employee in the census bureau.

Thomas W. Gilmer, a resident of this city.

There is nothing meanly mouthed or equivocal about that excerpt from The Post. The charges are direct and specific. The witnesses are named. Shall we have an investigation that will investigate or one that will bring forth an exquisite and artistic piece of whitewash?

Serious Charges Made.

Again The Post makes this serious charge:

Political influence and the craft of political lies, and a touch of official greed, has conspired to bring about a serious situation in the postoffice department. In fact, no adequate and satisfactory auditing of the accounts of the postoffice has been made for several months. What virtually amounts to an order to neglecting official duty "let the Washington city postoffice alone" has been in force. This does not mean that such an order is actually in writing, but there is an understanding that high officials will step in whenever full and thorough inspection is undertaken. Whatever inspections have been made for months have only been of a formal character.

Scams of "the box," probably as much as 50 in all, perhaps more, have been made up by these easy going methods. Good fellows from Indiana, from Ohio, from New York city, political henchmen in various quarters, not a few so called journalists, have fattened off the money that national people paid for postal materials and that congress appropriated for military postal service. An editor of an Italian journal in Chicago lived on a high feather to several weeks in the West Indies, and a touch of official greed, his expenses amounting to between \$2,500 and \$5,000, were paid over the counter of the Washington city postoffice. After he returned from his trip his salary was continued for several months.

So it appears, after all, that this great civil service reform administration loads up the Washington city postoffice with a job lot of Republican henchmen and female "cleaners" from the states. Yet, when William McKinley, placed and serene, took the oath of office March 4, 1897, he solemnly asseverated that no backward step must be taken in the cause of civil service reform! Did he mean that no Republican freebooter and treasury looter should not draw more than three salaries at once? Was that the limit? Or have those drawing triple pay not yet reached the limit?

Investigation Needed.

If the following is true, some rather tall heads could be brought to the dust by a proper and vigorous investigation and certain illustrious officials be clapped into the penitentiary. The Post says (and The Post is responsible financially and otherwise):

Some months ago the condition of things came near being aired in the local courts and was only narrowly averted. This was occasioned primarily by the appointment of two expert accountants from the treasury department. They were authorized by congress on one of the appropriation bills passed two years ago. They were designated to serve in connection with the controller's office and had authority to examine into the accounts of the department. One of these experts, whose name is known, called up the accounts of the Washington city postoffice for the quarter that ended Sept. 30, 1898. The two previous quarters, which are said to have been still worse, were, as far as known, never inspected. He went over the papers in the custody of the postmaster and his subordinates and discovered a gross amounting to \$25,000 to \$30,000 which were irregular and which he did not think should have been allowed.

In due season a lengthy letter came from the controller of the treasury stating the result of the investigation and propounding a long list of questions to be answered. The controller, under the law, is supreme in such matters and is empowered virtually to assume charge of all the financial matters relating to any postoffice. Meanwhile, however, word had reached one of the high officials of the department, who thereupon issued directions that not a scrap of paper or any number of any kind relating to that inspection should be returned by the local postoffice officials. It must be forwarded at once to his office. The preparation of a reply to the controller's letter, which was presented to Postmaster Willitt for signature. That gentleman was forced into signing the reply, after a long delay, by certain of his superiors, whose advice had been the cause of the controller's investigation. The letter was not satisfactory in its answers to the various questions propounded, and the controller so stated in a subsequent communication.

In the meantime an adjustment was under way, which resulted in the entire matter being dropped and an understanding reached that the Washington postoffice was to be "let alone" to regulate the expense account as other men wished.

I make no apology for quoting so much of The Post article. The facts therein stated ought to wake the American people up and cause them to unalterably resolve to thoroughly cleanse the Augean stables.

The Texas Delegation.

Texas has a wonderfully strong delegation in the house—most of all of them

young men. Members of congress and all others who know him are glad that Hon. Thomas H. Ball of the First district will be one of the Texas "Big Four" at the Kansas City convention. It is a high honor worthily bestowed. In that great convulsion of the faithful there will be no better Democrat than this stalwart young Texan. There is no more magnificent or courageous Democrat in the house than Tom Ball, as he is universally called by his constituents. He is a splendid specimen of intellectual and physical manhood, with a handsome presence, a bushel of brains and a heart true to duty as the needle to the pole. Industrious, capable, painstaking and affable, he is fast rising among his fellow members, who watch his ascent of the ladder of fame with delight.

Some New History.

I most respectfully doff my sonnet to that prince among statesmen, the Hon. Amos J. Cummings of New York, dean of the delegation. He has dug up a brand new historical fact—a biographical curio—and that is that Hon. Mathias Lyon was elected to congress from three different states—Vermont, Kentucky and Arkansas—though he died before taking the seat voted him by the last named state.

General James Shields enjoys in history the peculiar distinction of having been a United States senator from three states—Illinois, Minnesota and Missouri—a feat never equaled and most probably never to be duplicated by any other of the sons of Adam.

Mathias Lyon is also distinguished as being the first man imprisoned under the alien and sedition laws, which were hatched in the administration of old John Adams and which did so much to hurt the old Federalist party from power.

In the careers of many men the zenith and the nadir of their fortunes have been far apart. I doubt, however, whether any man ever contemplated two events in his own life so wide apart and yet either possible of happening within six and one-half months as "Governor" William S. Taylor, now a fugitive from justice, contemplates. Within that period he may be elected chief magistrate of Kentucky, and he may be hanged by the neck till he is dead for being accessory to the murder of William Goebel, as foul an assassination as ever stained the pages of history. As a rule, Kentuckians, Republicans as well as Democrats, are brave men. How can they make up their minds to rally under the banner of Taylor, who is skulking in Indiana from a Kentucky sheriff because Governor Mount will not permit him to be extradited? Mount cuts a beautiful figure truly—protecting a man

charged with being accessory to a murder committed for political purposes. His moral sense must be about as blunt as Taylor's.

What the Straws Show.

How are the mighty fallen! Twenty-five years ago the leading Republicans in Kentucky were intellectual giants—men who at least challenged admiration by reason of their courage and their shining talents. Upon the roster of their worthies were the names of John M. Harlan, Benjamin H. Brewster, Ramsey Wing, General D. H. Murray, Congressman Gadsden and the Goodloves. Now their leaders are small smug politicians as W. S. Taylor, Senator Deboe, or Edmond Jones. It is pitiful to think of such decadence. The first leader—the real leader while he lived—of the Kentucky Republicans was Rev. Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge—"Old Bob," as everybody called him—an intellectual Titan. He presided over the national convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson, and mentally he was fit to sit in the White House. The present low status of Kentucky Republicans, viewed from an intellectual standpoint, justifies the bitter saying that "the Republican party of the present day much resembles a bill of potatoes because the best part of it is under the ground."

Straws show which way the wind blows. One curious manifestation of the tendency of the public opinion, mind of America at the present juncture in human affairs is the fact that up to date only one Democratic congressman standing for re-election has been defeated for nomination. Very few of them have had any trouble on that score, while the political mortality among Republican congressmen has been great, especially in Ohio. Even such illustrious patriots as Mr. Tawney of Minnesota and Governor Steele of Indiana were fit subjects for congratulation when they pulled under the string winners. This can be interpreted in but one way, and that is that the people are satisfied with the conduct of the Democrats in congress and dissatisfied with the Republicans. The defeat of Republican congressmen for re-nomination, taken in connection with the results of the spring elections, must make many of them who have secured re-nominations take a gloomy view of the future.

Editors, Attention!

I wish to call the attention of American editors, "without regard to age, sex or previous condition of servitude," to Mark Hanna, to the fact that this Republican congress does not propose to do anything to relieve them from the heavy hand of the wood pulp and white paper trusts; nothing—absolutely nothing. It could be broken up in 30 days by passing my bill introduced at an early date into this congress to place white print paper and all the materials and ingredients used in manufacturing the same upon the free list. So far as I was able to ascertain nearly every paper in America endorsed the proposition, though some of them undertook to steal from me the credit and to confer it upon another congressman, who was himself trying to steal the credit. But they endorsed the principle.

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JAMES S. SMITH,

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WU TING FANG ON "BOXERS."

Chinese Minister Says He Does Not Know the Organization.

Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister at Washington, appears to be un-informed about the character or even the existence of the organization of persons in China just now vexing the representatives of several countries and compelling the powers having any interest near Peking to send marching guards to that city to protect the legations and the diplomatic officers, says the New York Times. The attention of the minister was directed recently to some publications touching the operations of the "Boxers" and the declaration that had been made by writer that the revolution indicated a breaking up of the empire.

"There can be nothing in that," Mr. Wu replied. "I do not want to discuss the question of the relations between China and the rest of the powers. The 'Boxer' disturbance is a new thing to me. I have heard nothing from the government on the subject, and I cannot take its propositions from newspaper dispatches. I am not known to the writers of the dispatches which exaggerate the movement. It seems to me to be a local disturbance which does not involve any broad international questions."

"Do you think the development of China trade, the open door policy, is likely to be affected by the disturbance?" was asked.

"No, no. I do not believe any broad questions are involved. What is the use of trying to interpret and explain what we do not yet know anything about? There is probably an exaggerated idea of what the disturbance is. I know nothing of what the 'Boxers' are."

"What does the term signify in China?" was asked.

"I presume," the minister replied, "that the name comes from athletes; men who box are athletes. I see by the Chinese papers that the organization is called 'Yeh Ho Chuan,' which signifies righteousness, harmony and fists. This probably means what you would call being in training as athletes are to develop their strength in the interest of harmony and righteousness. It is a new order to me."

Chicken Nipped His Diamond.

George Rogers, who spends much of his leisure time on his country place, near Richmond, Ind., feeling chickens for the market, is in a dilemma. The other day while feeding his pet from his hand one greedy fowl nipped a \$500 diamond from a ring on his finger, and before he could identify the culprit it disappeared in the crowd. Rogers may have to kill his entire flock of 250 to find the jewel, though they are not yet ready for the market. If he kills them and does not find the diamond, he will increase his loss at least \$100.

Queer Changes Brought About.

Owing to the pressure of circumstances trekking in South Africa has become rapid transit—New York World.

Nearly all the pain, suffering and

torture endured by nerve-weakened and debilitated women might be relieved; and the feeble, tired and thin-blooded might be made well and strong, full of vitality and attractive sweetness, if they would take the proper remedy.

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TWO

Trainmen on the C. H. & I. Road Found Buried

Beneath a Freight Car Thirty Feet

From the Engine Which Had Gone Over on Its Side.

A Frightful Wreck on the C. H. & I. Railroad Yesterday Morning in Which Five Persons were Killed.

A frightful freight wreck, remarkably similar to that which occurred on the L. E. & W. at Erlin yesterday afternoon, occurred at 2:59 o'clock yesterday morning on the C. H. & I. division of the C. H. & D. about 100 yards north of McGonigle's station and four miles west of Hamilton. Five men and possibly six, most of whom are well known among the local C. H. & D. men, were killed. The known dead are:

Tim Mahoney, aged 29, fireman; residence South Fifth street, Hamilton, O. David Starkey, aged 23, head brakeman; residence Rushville, Indiana. Ambrose Smith, aged 17; residence Fifth and Sycamore streets, Hamilton, Ohio. John Baker, aged 42, 711 Laurel st., Indianapolis.

Unknown, supposed to be John B. Wright, aged 17 or 18; residence Springfield, Ind.

The injured are: Sam Clover, engineer, right arm scalded and burned; residence South Fourth street, Hamilton, Ohio.

Two cars loaded with cattle and one with hogs, killed to the Cincinnati Stock Yards, were smashed into kindling wood and almost all of the stock killed.

RAILS SPREAD.

The accident was caused by spreading rails. East bound freight No. 93, in charge of Conductor William Lightstager, of Indianapolis, going at the rate of 20 miles an hour, struck the spread rails. The engine and tender humped along the track for about 90 feet, when the engine leaped head downward into the bank, and 14 of the 24 loaded cars tumbled together in an inextricable mass, some 100 yards in front of the engine.

The body of Fireman Mahoney was found beneath a freight car 30 feet from the engine, alongside the remains of Starkey. Both men were unmarried.

UNDER THE CATTLE.

The bodies of Smith and Baker and the boy supposed to be John Wright of Springfield, Ind., were dug out with difficulty from beneath the cattle. They had been riding on the bumpers of the last cattle car, and when the crash came were hurled into the mass of writhing and frenzied cattle, and were either stamped to death or crushed outright. Smith left last evening to attend a party at College Corner. Four hoboes who were riding in a coal car next to the caboose, and who miraculously escaped saw the boy jump the freight at College Corner.

The only clue to the identity of the fifth victim is a postal card addressed to John B. Wright, of Springfield, Ind., Henry county, and signed Oliver C. Arnold. It relates to the commencement exercises held at the Mt. Summit church, May 26, and that he class was to meet at Mr. J. C. I. C. house, preparatory to the commencement exercises.

The remains of Brakeman Starkey and the Hamilton lad were laid out at Hunter's morgue, and those of Fireman Starkey at Wagner's morgue.

THE ENGINEER'S STORY.

Engineer Sam Clover, who miraculously escaped with his life, gave the following account of the wreck: "We were going about 20 miles an hour down grade when I felt the engine thumping on the cross ties, and I yelled to Mahoney to save himself. The engine ran about 90 feet when she veered over on Mahoney's side. I jumped for the top of the cab and crawled out over the cab onto the water tank. I could not tell what what caused the rails to spread."

ENGAGED THE BAND.

The fire department at Ottawa will go to Napoleon to take part in the tournament, and it proposes to go in style. The Lima band has been engaged to lead the Ottawa fire ladders in the parade.

ANOTHER

Tragedy Occurs at Spencerville.

Man Found Unconscious Beside a Railroad

Suffering From a Fractured Skull Which Caused His Death This Morning—Coroner Burton Called.

Nathaniel Hoglin, aged 42, a well known farmer who lived with his aged mother in the country three miles north of Spencerville, died at that place this morning from an injury that he sustained at an early hour yesterday morning. Coroner Burton was called to Spencerville by a message received at noon to-day announcing Hoglin's death and drove to the canal village immediately with in company with a Times-Democrat reporter.

Arriving at Spencerville at 2 o'clock this afternoon Coroner Burton viewed the remains and found that death had resulted from the effects of a severe blow the victim had received at the base of the brain. From the information that could be obtained it seems that Hoglin had visited this city Saturday and returned to Spencerville on Erie train No. 3 late Saturday night. He was found by an Erie freight train crew about three o'clock Sunday morning and was beside the track about 600 feet from the depot in an unconscious condition. He never fully regained consciousness and consequently furnished no information concerning the manner in which the fatal injury was sustained. It is supposed however that he attempted to get off the train while it was in motion and was thrown. There were rumors of foul play but they are discredited by Coroner Burton.

DELPHOS

COUNTED ON SECURING THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

And Expresses Disappointment But Accepts Lima in the Right Spirit as Second Choice.

Lima has secured the State Tennis Tournament this year by the grace of the Toledo and Cincinnati officers; overlooking the fact that Delphos was the real author of its revival by the silver cup contests given here; common appreciation of courtesies due our town would have brought it here. Without the crowd of tennis fans organized by the Delphos contests the State Tournament at Toledo last year would have been a very slight affair, but Toledo forgot that Lima is all right as our neighbor and is the second choice of our players and will be convenient; there will be a good crowd from the Northwestern Ohio organization to make it a success with no special thanks to the non-reciprocal delinquents from the metropolis at the ends of the canal.

It is supposed to be held about the 4th of July if they can get down to a decision.—Delphos Courant.

WONDERFUL SEA CLOWNS.

Among the many performing wild creatures which will be seen in the Adam Forepaugh and Sells Brothers' Consolidation of America's Greatest Menageries, Circuses and Hippodromes at Lima on Wednesday, June 20, is Captain Woodward's school of performing huge sea lions and mid-eared seals everywhere attract mirthful admiration, as the only exhibition of the kind, and one abounding in the quaintest, queerest and funniest illustrations of amphibious intelligence ever seen. A porpoise performing a polka at a fashionable hop would not be one whit more surprising than are many of the martial, musical, and mimic successes of these strange scholars, with only tails and flippers to physically aid their sagacity. Their programme includes a rarely wonderful combination of salt water and ashore imitations and comicallies, which are so uniquely incredible and grotesque as to evoke shouts of laughter, and to at once esteem them as clown pets with the children.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere thanks to all our neighbors and friends, who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our beloved father and husband. We especially appreciate the attentions bestowed by his brother Odd Follows and the Rebekahs; and shall always tenderly remember those who presented the beautiful floral tributes.

Mrs. D. D. BREWER AND FAMILY.

BITS

Of Newsy Information Collected Over the River.

The K. O. T. M. Dime Social a Success

Which was Enjoyed by All Who Were in Attendance.

Personal Mention of Those Who Come and Go on the South Side of the City. A Busy Part of Lima.

Married yesterday at the M. E. parsonage by Rev. Letherman, Mr. Jessie R. Clark and Miss Emma Stevely. We extend our congratulations and wish them a long and happy life. They will make their home on south Ma in street. Both are from Indiana.

Miss Kessler on Solar avenue is very sick.

The programme for Children's Day at the south side Church of Christ, last evening was well rendered and appreciated by a very large audience.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hoyt, of west Kibby street, spent Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kemper. The Ladies' Aid Society of the south side Church of Christ will have an all day sewing at the church next Wednesday.

Mrs. G. A. Hewitt of south Elizabeth street is entertaining her father, Mr. John H. Hayes, of Marion, Ind. Mrs. William Pifer who has been visiting at Glynwood, O., returned to her home yesterday.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McClain was made brighter by the arrival of a bright little daughter. Walter Mills and family are visiting Sandusky friends for a few days.

M. C. Mumah, of Lafayette, was most pleasantly entertained by Dr. Rudy and family yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cramer, of west Kibby street, was visiting friends near Delphos yesterday.

E. Davis, of East Kibby street has for his guest David Davis and George Bone, of Haviland, Paulding county. Both are thinking of moving here.

George Smith, of Oak street, will go to his farm for the summer. Mr. Smith is in poor health and thinks the fresh country air will be good for him.

A. C. Shappell has a new clerk Miss Carrie Lear is the favored one.

Miss Kittie Kavenaugh who has been most seriously sick is reported better. The little daughter of W. S. Mills, of Albert street met with a painful accident Friday evening. She fell and fractured her knee cap. Dr. Bates was called to attend her injuries.

William Nussbaum, who is working at Columbus, Ohio, was at home with his family a few days last week.

J. B. Kennedy, of Second street is enjoying a most pleasant visit from his brother J. L. Kennedy, of Harrisburg, Pa., who is returning from the Engineer's Convention at Milwaukee.

Lima Hive, No. 43, K. O. T. M. enjoyed a very pleasant time at their dime social last Friday evening. The program rendered was above the ordinary and the supper and dancing were enjoyed by all.

MEETING TONIGHT AT LIMA HOUSE.

Everybody who is interested in having an old fashioned Fourth of July celebration is requested to meet at above place and bring their enthusiasm with them. Come feeling that this is an affair that all Lima people are interested in and that it is your duty to give it your influence. If all do this we will have 20,000 outside people here and provide an entertainment for them that will satisfy everybody and be a great advertisement for us abroad. Lima has the reputation of being the best city of its size in the State. Let us all put forth our best efforts in promoting this celebration. Bring the people here and satisfy them that we are worthy of the reputation. Put on your thinking caps, think of some scheme to keep it along and come to the meeting and tell about it. Remember this is a Lima Show to be got up by Lima people.

NOT ON YOUR LIFE.

The band went to Lima Wednesday to play. It is likely that they will play at Lima this summer one evening out of each week.—Wanesheld Chronicle.

FUTURE

Of the L. E. & W. Under New Regime

Considered Likely to be Very Prosperous.

Many More Improvements in the Property and Equipments to be Recommended by the Men in Charge.

It is evident that the Lake Shore people propose to spend money liberally on the Lake Erie and Western, which the company recently acquired, says the Indianapolis Journal. The chief engineer of the road, the superintendent of the motive power and general superintendent of the Lake Shore have recently made careful examinations of the conditions of the property, and are now prepared to recommend improvements which will make the Lake Erie and Western one of the standard roads crossing the state. Since the Lake Shore took control of the property there has been a marked increase in its freight traffic and as soon as its passenger train time schedules are adjusted and become better known to the traveling public doubtless a marked increase in passenger business will be realized.

Pittsburg Engineer S. Gable is laid up at his home in Fort Wayne with a badly sprained ankle.

Fireman H. L. Rhoads of the Pittsburg who had been disabled by a lame hand has about recovered and will soon be ready to return to work.

George Williston has been appointed agent of the Lake Erie & Western at Fostoria, vice G. W. Seaman, resigned.

J. W. Plaster, a brakeman, on the Pittsburg, had his right leg caught and badly pinched between the tank and a car as his train was passing through Lima, Ohio, Saturday night. The unfortunate man lives at 27 Brackenridge street—Fort Wayne.

A special train over the Pittsburg yesterday carrying a delegation from the Chicago Medical Association to the national convention which is in session at Atlantic City.

Engineer Gillen of Fort Wayne has left the Pittsburg road and accepted a position as engineer on the Cincinnati Northern. He will move his family from Fort Wayne and reside at Van Wert.

The C. H. & D. will run its first excursion to the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, Thursday June 14, and cars will run through to the home without charge. The train will leave Lima at 5:55 and returning leave Dayton at 6 p. m.

WEBSTER GIANTS

To Play the Orioles at Findlay June 15.

The Lima Giants, Lima's crack color base ball club, will play the Findlay Orioles expect to make things interesting for their colored friends. Two games were played here last season between the Giants and Manager Drake's nine. In each game the home team won easily.—Findlay Republican.

MOVED TO LIMA.

Mrs. R. F. Cahill and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tolan, who recently sold their Main street property to Dr. Steiner, have moved their household goods to Lima where they will make their future home. Mrs. Cahill has been a resident of Bluffton for nearly forty years and always took an active part in the general welfare of the community. The presence of Mr. and Mrs. Tolan, who have been highly respected and honored citizens will also be greatly missed.—Bluffton News.

GUEST OF HONOR.

Mrs. Harry Moulton, who is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harley Porter, at Toledo, was one of the honored guests of the Sorosis club, which closed the season with a fine banquet, Friday evening, at the Collingwood.

FOR RENT.

Two story brick business block for sale. Price, \$5,500. Will rent for \$75.00 per month (a bargain) Call on E. P. Wilkins, No. 21 and 22, Opera House Block. Take elevator. 9-3t

ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.

A full attendance at the regular meeting to-night is requested, as arrangements are to be made to attend Brother John Purtell's funeral. By order, JOHN KENNEDY, Pres.

SWITCHMAN

JACK HARBOLDT NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH.

Was Watching One Cut of Cars While Another Came Near Running Him Down.—Whistle Warned Him.

Switchman Jack Harboldt, of the C. H. & D., narrowly escaped a tragic death about noon to-day. He was standing on the L. E. & W. track near the North street crossing, watching his crew work with a cut of cars on the C. H. & D. house track. A cut of cars was shoved down on the L. E. & W. track from the north, and he did not see them until Engineer Gustason saw his danger and sounded the whistle. He leaped from the track with one bound and barely escaped being run down.

DROWNED.

Untimely Death of the Son of a Former Lima Lady.

Yesterday the 10-year-old son of P. W. & C. Conductor John Hohen, disappeared from his home in Ft. Wayne, and last evening his body was found in the St. Mary's River. The boy's mother was formerly Miss Bridget Holland, daughter of Thomas Holland, of this city.

WILL OPEN TO-NIGHT.

Moss & Patterson open their Phoenix Cafe to-night at 118 East Wayne street. Music and Free lunch. 1t

Philippine Commission Arrives. Manila, June 4.—The United States transport Hancock, from San Francisco, April 17, arrived here with the members of the Philippine commission. The members of General MacArthur's staff welcomed the commissioners on board the Hancock. The commissioners landed and drove to the palace, escorted by General MacArthur's staff. At the palace the commissioners were welcomed by General MacArthur in a short and forcible address.

Deed of a Lone Robber. Raymond, Cal., June 4.—The lone highwayman who held up three Yosemite stages and two United States cavalrymen is still at large. Additional details reveal that the number of people held up numbered 32, 27 men and five women. Major Rucker and Captain Wilcox, United States army, with 66 men of Troop F, who were on the way to Yosemite, reached the scene just as the robber was about to open the express box. Seeing the troopers he disappeared in the brush.

Murder at a Wedding Feast.

Columbus, O., June 4.—Joseph Mulligan, 24, was shot and instantly killed by Michael Zecelle, alias Frank Adams, an Italian. The tragedy followed the feasting incident to the marriage of Ida May Cockerill, daughter of Mrs. Florence Cockerill, widow. To the latter the murderer and the victim had been paying attention and the tragedy was the result of jealousy. The wedding and killing occurred in the same room. Zecelle escaped.

Bad Rear-End Collision.

Alliance, Neb., June 4.—A disastrous rear-end collision occurred on the Burlington, three miles west of here. Engineer Hunting was instantly killed, Fireman Johnson very seriously injured, and Brakeman Ellis badly hurt. Freight train No. 20 was running in two sections, and the second section crashed into the first. It is thought Engineer Hunting fell asleep or was unable to control his engine. The property loss is heavy.

Elections in Italy.

Rome, June 4.—The parliamentary general elections passed off quietly. Two hundred and fifty-one out of a total of 580 results are known. The constitutionalists have secured 192, 43 of which are held by the members of the constitutional opposition; the Radicals have secured 13 and the Republicans and Socialists 11. Five second ballots will be necessary. Cabinet officers were re-elected.

German Butchers.

Berlin, June 4.—The Berlin butchers' guild has presented a petition to the bundsrath in connection with the meat inspection bill, claiming that hogs' livers and tongues are necessary to the manufacture of sausages, that inspection in such cases is practicable, and that their importation should be continued.

COW FOR SALE.

For a No. 1 family cow just fresh, call at 531 north Elizabeth street. 8-3t

Lima Lodge, No. 205, F. & A. M., stated communication this evening. Work on F. C. degree.

L. F. LANDICK, W. M. WALLACE LANDIS, Sec'y.

Johnson's Swim is open.

VIRGINIA'S NOTED DUELIST.

Career of Capt. McCarty, Who Once Figured in a Celebrated Romance.

The last page of a romantic story was finished the other day in the death at Richmond of Captain Page McCarty, duelist, editor, misanthrope. Twenty-seven years ago he killed John Mordecai, once his fast friend, and was himself almost fatally wounded. The duel was fought because of a young and beautiful woman, Miss Mary Triplet, known as the "Belle of the South," says the New York Sun. Mordecai and McCarty were in love with her, and none knew which was the favored one. At a ball one night the capricious beauty slighted McCarty in so marked a manner that he left the house in disgust. A few days after there appeared in a local paper these lines:

When Mary's torn divine I press In Strauss' sweetest waltz, These lips I too, would fain caress, Although those lips be false.

When Mordecai saw the article, he became enraged, declaring McCarty had written it, although it was unsigned, and that he must answer to him for the insult to Miss Triplet. The two met later in a cafe. There were some words, and McCarty was knocked down. A challenge followed and was promptly accepted. They met just as the sun was rising near Oakwood cemetery, where sleep 16,000 Confederate soldiers. Mordecai's seconds were William L. Royall, now a leading lawyer here, and William R. Trigg, head of the W. R. Trigg Shipbuilding company. Dr. Hunter McGuire, Stonewall Jackson's physician, was one of the surgeons.

At the word both men fired together. McCarty's right thigh was shattered, while the ball from his weapon pierced Mordecai's abdomen. The latter died the following day. McCarty was arrested, tried and sentenced to a fine of \$500 and to serve 12 months in jail. He paid the fine, but was pardoned by Governor Kemper. Before he recovered, Miss Triplet, the innocent cause of the tragedy, married Captain Philip Huxall. She died suddenly a few years ago.

The last days of McCarty were bitter. He was desperate, caring not for man and avoiding woman. He became celebrated during the readjuster regime as editor of The Campaign. He made many attacks upon General William Mahone, and his controversy with Captain John S. Wise of New York was notable. He used every means to lead the latter into a duel without success. Captain Wise's letter declining to fight became celebrated. In it he said that "McCarty went around with the blood of Mordecai upon his hand and thirsting for more."

CUTTLEFISH INK.

The Peculiar Liquid Which This Curious Animal Ejects.

The cuttlefish are caught in great numbers off the Cornwall coast and are used as a bait for the conger eel, for which this part of the world is celebrated. The cuttlefish possesses no real mouth, but has a long, cylindrical sucker with which it adheres firmly to the bait. The method of capturing the fish is as follows: A long line from which are suspended from 200 to 300 hooks baited with portions of pilchard almost the only bait the cuttlefish will take is let down into the sea and allowed to stop there for about half an hour. It is then drawn up, and the cuttlefish are found hanging by means of their suckers to the bait.

The moment that they leave the waters they eject with considerable force a great quantity of deep, black, viscous substance which is about the consistency of treacle, and the stain made by it upon the clothes of the fishermen is permanent if it happens to fall upon them.

I had a conversation with one man who has several times received a full charge in his face, and he assured me that beyond the smell, which is most nauseous, he felt no inconvenience at all, no smarting or pain in his eyes and no bad after effects.

If any of the liquid gets upon the nets, it rots them beyond repair unless it is washed off immediately. Another curious fact is that this fluid will not injure cloth in the slightest degree beyond making a permanent stain. One man told me that he had used a jersey for several years which had been squirted all over at different times by these cephalopods, but that except for the cloth being stained it was as good as ever.

When this "ink" is ejected under water, it hangs in a sort of cloud and does not spread.—London Leader.

Browning and the Cook.

To Robert Browning a man was a man, whether he was served by many people or was the servant of others. On one occasion his son Barrett had hired a room in a neighboring house to exhibit his pictures, and in the temporary absence of the artist Mr. Browning was doing the honors to a roomful of fashionable friends. He was standing near the door when an unannounced visitor made her appearance, and of course he shook hands with her, greeting her as she did the other arrivals.

"Oh, I beg pardon!" she exclaimed. "But, please, sir, I'm the cook. Mr. Barrett asked me to come and see his pictures."

"And I'm very glad to see you," returned Mr. Browning, with ready courtesy. "Take my arm and I will see you round."—New York Press.

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ATTACHMENT NO. 6.

The Peters Clothing Co. vs. W. P. Sheffer, Plaintiff vs. Defendant, Justice of the Peace of Ottawa Township, Allen County, Ohio. On the 31st day of May, 1900, said Justice issued an order of attachment in the above action for the sum of fifty-two dollars and ninety-six cents (\$52.96).

The Peters Clothing Co. Lima, Ohio May 31, 1900. Jun 2-1900.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Convention of Ohio, will be held in the City of Columbus, Ohio, on June 12th and 13th, 1900, for the purpose of selecting four delegates-at-large to the Democratic National Convention to be held at Kansas City, Mo., July 3th, 1900—also to nominate two presidential electors-at-large for the state of Ohio, and to nominate candidates for the following state offices:

Secretary of State.
Judge of Supreme Court.
Dairy and Food Commissioner.
Commissioner of Common Schools.
Member of Board of Public Works.

The basis of representation of delegates and alternates to this convention shall be one delegate and one alternate for each 500 votes or fraction of 500 cast for Hon. John R. McLean for governor in 1899.

All electors who voted for Hon. John R. McLean for governor, and all other electors who intend to support the Democratic nominees in 1900, are entitled to take part in the election of delegates to this convention.

All delegates and alternates to this convention elected after May 3rd, 1900, shall be chosen in such manner as may be designated, by the Democratic county central or controlling committee of each county.

No mass delegations to be admitted. The counties in this congressional district shall be entitled to the following number of delegates and alternates:

Allen county, 4564.....	9
Auglaize county, 4910.....	9
Darko county, 5623.....	11
Mercer county, 3987.....	8
Shelby county, 3596.....	7

The County Central Committee of each county of the state, where delegates are not yet selected, shall reaffirm this call. As to Cuyahoga county delegates—we recognize and designate the committee recognized by the last Democratic state convention at Zanesville in 1899. A. J. Grimsley, chairman, as the only proper Democratic committee in Cuyahoga county, with authority to arrange for the selection of Cuyahoga county's delegates to the coming state and other conventions, during their legal term of office.

WM. S. THOMAS, Chairman.
LOUIS REEMELIN, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The democrats of the Thirty-Second Senatorial district will meet in delegate convention at Van Wert, Ohio, on TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1900.

At ten o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating a candidate for member of the State Board of Equalization. The basis of representation in said convention will be one delegate for every 100 votes cast for Hon. John R. McLean for governor in 1899, and one delegate for every fraction of 50 votes or over so cast. Under this apportionment the several counties composing the district will have the following vote in the convention:

COUNTY.	Delegates.
Allen	9
Auglaize	9
Bellevue	11
Mercer	8
Van Wert	7
Williams	7
Necessary to a choice by order of committee.	128
W. M. THOMAS, Chairman.	
GEO. W. KOHN, Secretary.	

The official successor to the magnificent Major Rathbone as director general of posts in Cuba has found it an easy matter to cut down headquarters' expenses by over \$42,000 a year, and that in scarcely a week's time. The simple device of eliminating the dead-ends in the business has worked already a 20 per cent. shrinkage in the Rathbone schedule of outlay. In the meantime the suspended officer is strutting around Havana and defying the government to interfere with him in any way. If he shall be molested, he declares, others will go down with him. There may be something back of this bluff; but, in any event, the administration should put the matter to the test. No derelict official should be granted immunity in order to shield other and perhaps greater offenders—at least, not in a presidential year.

It is stated, on good Republican authority, that Chairman Hanna will not conduct the next Republican campaign. The Washington correspondent of The Public Leader who cannot be accused of bias against the McKinley administration, says that Hanna's reported resignation raises the suspicion that it is "not due in all respects to the condition of his health." Shrewd politicians, with whose opinion the correspondent agrees, intimate that Chairman Hanna is "afraid to manage the campaign because it is a defensive contest on the part of the Republicans, with defeat possibly at the end of it." But, whatever else may be, thought of Chairman Hanna, there is little in his career to warrant the belief that he is made of such cowardly stuff as to quit the game from a fear of losing it. We expect him to emphatically deny all such intimations.—Phil. Record.

ON A CYCLONE'S CREST.

Kansas Family Took an Up to Date Ride in a Tornado Cave.

Martha Bengue and family, who reside on a farm near Larned, had a most peculiar ride a few nights ago, says a Wichita (Kan.) dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean. Shut up in a cyclone cave, they sped across the prairies of western Kansas on the wings of a full fledged tornado. Bengue says it beats an automobile all to pieces, although he has never tried an auto. But riders of horseless carriages cannot well dispute him, because few of them ever mounted a Kansas tornado and came out without a scratch.

When Bengue came to Kansas from the east a couple of years ago, he decided that cyclones were just a little too frequent for him, so he set to work building a first class cave. He built it out of brick and stone and plastered it all over with cement. Then he covered the cave with dirt, leaving only a small entrance. This has served as a place of refuge in times of storm for the last two years. But there has never been a real tornado in that section until recently.

The clouds lowered and darkened early the other afternoon. Bengue came home from the field, and he and his wife, with their three children, stood in the back yard and watched the swirling black mass in the heavens. About 5 o'clock a funnel shaped cloud came bounding along at a 2-40 clip. Here and there it would dip down and take up farmhouses, cows and horses. The Bengues ran for the cellar. They closed the door and debbed the tornado to do its worst. What followed can best be described in Mr. Bengue's own words. He said:

"We could hear the storm approaching. Houses and rocks passed over us. We heard the house creak and split. Then it was lifted up and carried away. We sat quiet, thinking it was over, when all of a sudden we felt ourselves rising. My wife clutched at me, and I clutched at the floor. The cave swayed back and forth, and we lay flat on the floor. For an hour it seemed, but I guess it was only a few minutes, we experienced such a ride as only few have taken. Then it stopped. We lay perfectly still until all was quiet. I ventured to open the cave door. We were in the middle of a wheatfield, and debris was scattered all about. It was fully a mile from our farm. You may not believe it, but sure as I live not a stone or brick was torn out of that cave. Our house was torn to pieces. I cannot understand why the cave was undisturbed, but suppose it was picked up by a straight wind current."

In the cyclone that visited the section of country near Larned a dozen homes were wrecked, but no one was killed.

New Game of Draughts.

The venerable game of chess has found a competitor in a new game which has been started at Hamburg, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. The new game, "salita," according to Professor Schubert, who has just published a treatise thereon, is the most spirited game of draughts of modern times. Like chess, salita may be considered a game of war and, with its 50 pieces, represented by suns, moons and stars on 100 squares, offers many more combinations, since all the pieces, even the "beaten ones," remain on the board till the end of the game. The rules are said to be much more simple than those of chess.

Reducing Surpluses.

The Kansas farmers are going to the Paris exposition to be treated for their prosperity, says the Washington Post. Paris can be depended upon to cure them.

ON THE ROAD TO CIVILIZATION.



Porto Rico: "Say, mistah, is you buryin a fren of your'n?"
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CHAMP CLARK'S LETTER

More Republican Rascality Developing.

IS NOT CONFINED TO CUBA.

Corruption in the Washington Postoffice.

STAR ROUTE SCANDALS RIVALED.

Parasites of Certain Republican Statesmen Growing Fat at the Public Crib—One Man Drew Three Salaries—Sinecures For Job Lot of G. O. P. Henchmen—Able Men From the Lone Star State—Two Republican "Governors"—The Paper Trust.

[Special Washington Letter.]
Scandal, larceny and peculation! That story increases as the days go by. If the Democrats had had a working majority in this house, we would have unearthed enough Republican rascality and corruption to have carried the presidential election by at least 100 majority in the electoral college. Such a sweep would have given us the senate also. As for the house, there would not have been enough Republicans in the Fifty-seventh congress to have called for the yeas and nays. No question that Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, could have been impeached and convicted for high crimes and misdemeanors in connection with the Hepburn bank ring.

Many persons have been bugging to their hearts the pleasant delusion that all the corruption is confined to Republican officials in Cuba and other outlying provinces, but it appears that all such fond and patriotic hopes are to be blasted. It seems that the postoffice department, especially the Washington city postoffice, has been and is the breeding place of the corrupt parasites of certain high and mighty Republican statesmen, a place to quarter their unsavory retainers upon the government where they can feed at the public crib until they are as obese as Dickens' fat boy, although not so sleepy as that drowsy youth. No intention is entertained of casting any reflection hereon upon the character or honesty of Hon. Charles Emory Smith, postmaster general. In my judgment he is an honorable and brilliant man, but unless the Washington Post is the most shameless liar since Annals and Sapphira had that ill starred land transaction not only should a congressional investigation committee get in its work on the Washington city postoffice, but the grand jury would find lots of materials on which to base indictments for felony. The postoffice scandals are likely to rival the Star Route scandals in odoriferousness. Now, Republicans swashbucklers and organ grinders, with Mark Hanna's houndie jingling in their pockets, need not rashly cry out that all this is a campaign lie, cooked up by free silver anarchists for election purposes.

Feeders at the Public Crib.
The Washington Post makes the charges, and it is by long odds the most ably edited paper in American friendly to the McKinley administration. It says:

Following are some of the allegations that call for inquiry:
Funds of the Washington city postoffice have been improperly disbursed for over two years, the irregularities for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1899, amounting to \$25,000 to \$30,000, according to an expert report to Comptroller Tracwell. Numerous favors have been carried on two and even three pay rolls at the same time at the Washington city postoffice and at other postoffices in the country. Oliver H. Smith of Indiana, now superintendent in the local service, was for about a year simultaneously collector of local postal stations, laborer and painter of street letter boxes. He drew three salaries. Nathan B. (N) Baker of Indiana succeeded to Mr. Smith's emoluments. Six women have long been carried on the rolls of the city postoffice as cleaners at \$300 a year, performing no work whatever and being paid on separate vouchers. Four men were for many months paid at the local postoffice, apparently to investigate claims of letter carriers, all the positions being sinecures.

John E. Jones, a newspaper reporter, was carried for many months as physician to the Washington city postoffice at \$1,500 a year. Travelling expenses of department officials who were not on public business, trips for private citizens only nominally connected with the government service, have been paid to the extent of thousands of dollars out of funds strictly

belonging to the Washington postoffice and out of the military postal fund.

If the postmaster general wishes to thoroughly investigate the affairs here referred to, The Post suggests that he secure the testimony of the following witnesses among others:

Joseph L. Bristow, fourth assistant postmaster general.
Chief Inspector Cochran of the postoffice department.
George W. Deavers, chief of the salary and allowance division.
A. H. Scott, now in this city, who was the former chief of that division.
Seymour W. Tallock, formerly cashier of the Washington city postoffice, but suddenly discharged after many years of faithful service.
Mr. J. Edwin Wilson, formerly assistant postmaster of Washington, but now an employee in the census bureau.
Thomas W. Gilmer, a resident of this city.

There is nothing meanly monthed or equivocal about that excerpt from The Post. The charges are direct and specific. The witnesses are named. Shall we have an investigation that will investigate or one that will bring forth an exquisite and artistic piece of whitewash?

Serious Charges Made.
Again The Post makes this serious charge:

Political influence and the craft of political leaders have fashioned matters so that the system of auditing accounts is far from circumstantial. In fact, no adequate and satisfactory auditing of the accounts of the postoffice has been made for several months. What virtually amounts to an order to inspecting officials to "let the Washington city postoffice alone" has been in force. This does not mean that such an order is actually in writing, but there is an understanding that high officials will step in whenever full and thorough inspection is undertaken. Whatever inspections have been made for months have only been of a formal character.

Scenes of "the boys," probably as many as 25 in all, perhaps more, have been made happy by these easy going methods. Good fellows from Indiana, from this, from New York city, political henchmen in various quarters, not a few so called journalists, have fattened off the money that resident people paid for postal materials and that cargoes appropriated for military postal service. An editor of an Italian journal in Chicago lived in high feather for several weeks in the West Indies, and, through an official order, his expenses, amounting to between \$2,000 and \$3,000, were paid over the counter of the Washington city postoffice. After he returned from his trip his salary was continued for several months.

So it appears, after all, that this great civil service reform administration leads up to the Washington city postoffice with a job lot of Republican henchmen and female "cleaners" from the states. Yet, when William McKinley, placid and serene, took the oath of office March 4, 1897, he solemnly asseverated that no backward step must be taken in the cause of civil service reform! Did he mean that no Republican freebooter and treasury lout should not draw more than three salaries at once? Was that the limit? Or have those drawing triple pay not yet reached the limit?

Investigation Needed.
If the following is true, some rather tall heads could be brought to the dust by a proper and vigorous investigation and certain illustrious officials be clapped into the penitentiary. The Post says (and The Post is responsible financially and otherwise):

Some months ago the condition of things came near being aired in the local courts and was only narrowly avoided. This was occasioned primarily by the appointment of two expert accountants from the treasury department. They were authorized by congress on one of the appropriation bills passed two years ago. They were designated to audit the accounts of the postoffice, and the auditor and his assistants and discovered items amounting to \$50,000 to \$50,000 which were irregular and which he did not think should have been allowed.

In the session a lengthy letter came from the comptroller of the treasury stating the result of the investigation and propounding a long list of questions to be answered. The comptroller, under the law, is supreme in such matters and is empowered virtually to assume charge of all the financial matters relating to any postoffice. Meanwhile, however, word had reached one of the high officials of the department, who thereupon issued directions that not a scrap of paper or any matter of any kind relating to that inspection should be retained by the local postoffice officials. It must be forwarded at once to his office. He prepared a reply to the comptroller's letter, which was presented to Postmaster Willert for signature. That gentleman was forced into signing the reply, after a long parley, by certain of his supporters, whose acts had been the cause of the comptroller's investigation. The letter was not satisfactory in its answers to the various questions propounded, and the comptroller so stated in a subsequent communication.

In the meantime an adjustment was under way, which resulted in the entire matter being dropped and an understanding reached that the Washington postoffice was to be "let alone," to regulate the expense account as other men wished.

I make no apology for quoting so much of The Post article. The facts therein stated ought to wake the American people up and cause them to be unalterably resolute to thoroughly cleanse the Augean stables.

The Texas Delegation.

Texas has a wondrously strong delegation in the house—most all of them

young men. Members of congress and all others who know him are glad that Hon. Thomas H. Ball of the First district will be one of the Texas "Big Four" at the Kansas City convention. It is a high honor worthily bestowed. In that great conclave of the faithful there will be no better Democrat than this stalwart young Texan. There is no more magnificent or courageous Democrat in the house than Tom Ball, as he is universally called by his intimates. He is a splendid specimen of intellectual and physical manhood, with a handsome presence, a bushel of brains and a heart true to duty as the needle to the pole. Industrious, capable, painstaking and affable, he is fast rising among his fellow members, who watch his ascent of the ladder of fame with delight.

Some New History.
I most respectfully doff my sombrero to that prince among statesmen, the Hon. Amos J. Cummings of New York, dean of the delegation. He has dug up a brand new historical fact—a biographical curio—and that is that Hon. Mathias Lyon was elected to congress from three different states—Vermont, Kentucky and Arkansas—though he died before taking the seat voted him by the last named state.

General James Shields enjoys in history the peculiar distinction of having been a United States senator from three states—Illinois, Minnesota and Missouri—a feat never equaled and most probably never to be duplicated by any other of the sons of Adam.

Mathias Lyon is also distinguished as being the first man imprisoned under the alien and sedition laws, which were hatched in the administration of old John Adams and which did so much to hurl the old Federalist party from power.

In the careers of many men the zenith and the nadir of their fortunes have been far apart. I doubt, however, whether any man ever contemplated two events in his own life so wide apart and yet either possible of happening within six and one-half months as "Governor" William S. Taylor, now a fugitive from justice, contemplates. Within that period he may be elected chief magistrate of Kentucky, and he may be hanged by the neck till he is dead for being accessory to the murder of William Goebel, as foul an assassination as ever stained the pages of history. As a rule, Kentuckians, Republicans as well as Democrats, are brave men. How can they make up their minds to rally under the banner of Taylor, who is skulking in Indiana from a Kentucky sheriff because Governor Knott will not permit him to be extradited? Mount cuts a beautiful figure truly—protecting a man charged with being accessory to a murder committed for political purposes. His moral sense must be about as blunt as Taylor's.

What the Straws Show.
How are the mighty fallen! Twenty-five years ago the leading Republicans in Kentucky were intellectual giants—men who at least challenged admiration by reason of their courage and their shining talents. Upon the roster of their worthies were the names of John M. Harlan, Benjamin H. Bristow, Ramsey W. Logg, General B. H. Murray, Congressman Wadsworth and the Goodloes. Now their leaders are such small bore politicians as W. S. Taylor, Senator Deboe, et al. omne genus. It is pitiful to think of such decadence. The first leader—the real leader while he lived—of the Kentucky Republicans was Rev. Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge—"Old Bob," as everybody called him—over the intellectual titan. He presided over the national convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson, and mentally he was fit to sit in the White House. The present low status of Kentucky Republicans, viewed from an intellectual standpoint, justifies the bitter saying that "the Republican party of the present day much resembles a hill of potatoes because the best part of it is under the ground."

Straws show which way the wind blows. One curious manifestation of the tendency of the public politician, mind of America at the present juncture in human affairs is the fact that up to date only one Democratic congressman standing for re-election has been defeated for nomination. Very few of them have had any trouble on that score, while the political mortality among Republican congressmen has been great, especially in Ohio. Even such illustrious patriots as Mr. Tawney of Minnesota and Governor Steele of Indiana were fit subjects for congratulation when they pulled under the string winners. This can be interpreted in but one way, and that is that the people are satisfied with the conduct of the Democrats in congress and dissatisfied with the Republicans. The defeat of Republican congressmen for re-election, taken in connection with the results of the spring elections, must make many of them who have secured re-elections take a gloomy view of the future.

Editors' Attention!
I wish to call the attention of American editors, "without regard to age, sex or previous condition of servitude" to Mark Hanna, to the fact that this Republican congress does not propose to do anything to relieve them from the heavy hand of the wood pulp and white paper trusts; nothing—absolutely nothing. It could be broken up in 30 days by passing my bill introduced at an early date into this congress to place white print paper and all the materials and ingredients used in manufacturing the same upon the free list. So far as I was able to ascertain nearly every paper in America endorsed nearly proposition, though some of them undertook to steal from me the credit and to confer it upon another congressman, who was himself trying to steal the credit. But they endorsed the principle.

Now be it remembered that a favor

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able report—at any rate a report of some kind—from a committee is a sine qua non to the passage of a bill. Speaker Henderson promptly referred my bill to the committee on ways and means, where it has slept the sleep that knows no waking ever since. I received so much encouragement as to the bill from the public press, irrespective of party affiliations, that I saw Mr. Seneca E. Payne of New York, chairman of the committee, and Messrs. George W. Steele of Indiana and John Dalzell of Pennsylvania, leading members of the committee, and asked to be heard upon my bill. They said I could be heard, but Mr. Chairman Payne, with a smile that was childlike and bland, said, "You may be heard, but it is only fair to tell you that there is no prospect whatever that any action will be taken on that subject," or words to that effect. So that editors, while cussing the paper trust and wood pulp trust, should also pay their compliments to the party—the Republican party—which makes trusts honestly opposed to the wood pulp and white paper trusts, their remedy if clear. Help us kill the Republican party. It is the mother of trusts.

Dancombe Law.

Of course this Republican congress will pass some Dancombe law, resolution or constitutional amendment purporting to be antitrust, and they will no doubt get an antitrust plank into the Philadelphia platform. No doubt, but an editor who expects to purchase his white paper cheaper on that account is a bigger fool than Thompson's colt, which swam the Mississippi river to get a drink. No, messieurs, there is but one remedy for you, and that is to come out from the Republican fold and combat and make common cause with us against the whole brood of trusts and their mother, the Republican party. The quicker you do it the better. Do this or forever hold your peace as to the extortions of the wood pulp and white paper trusts. Republican papers please copy.

If Republican statesmen do not quit deserting Mac and Mark, there will soon be a clear majority of the G. O. P. in open revolt. With Carl Schurz and George S. Boutwell bombarding the freebooters in New York and with Senator Eugene Hale and Senator George L. Wellington ripping them up the back in Washington Mark and his presidential proteges are figuratively at least, "sweating blood."

Remarkable Development in the Export Trade.
The following is an extract from an editorial in the New York Post on the business situation in the United States. Comment on the wonderful increase of exports of American manufactures follows:

On the side of the balance sheet making for good business, though not for the headlong trade of the preceding year, we find the greatest encouragement in the increase of our exports of manufactures. These foot up a total of very nearly \$400,000,000 for the month of April, much the largest of any month in the history of the nation. The showing of the fiscal year ending June 30 will probably be \$400,000,000, which is threefold the amount of such exports in any year of the previous decade. The most encouraging feature of this gain is that it rests upon facts of a permanent nature, upon the superiority of our manufacturing resources over those of our competitors in Europe. Our stock of coal, timber, iron and other metals, comparatively speaking, is still abundant and easy of access. That of England is approaching the stage of difficulty. Each day's output there adds something to the cost of the next day's production—very little, perhaps, but enough to be felt in the course of a year. No such drawback can be felt here during the present generation, probably not during several generations.

What is true of England is true also of most of our competitors in Europe. We are now entering upon the manufacturing advantages which England herself entered upon a half century ago, and the progress here will be as steady as it was there, being due to the same causes as there—namely, the possession of great natural superiority. No country in Europe can step into the advantageous situation occupied by England in the middle of the nineteenth century except possibly Russia, with whose undeveloped resources we are still imperfectly acquainted. The conditions affecting our manufactures, as we have said, are of a permanent nature. They do not depend on times or seasons. Labor disputes may affect them unfavorably, and war would certainly do so, but neither could nor bent, neither flood nor drought, can countervail them. What about our ag-

ricultural prospects? These, taken a large, are as favorable at the present time as usual. There will be an unusually large crop of winter wheat. It is too early to form conjectures of other crops. We can only say that the outlook which the manufacturing industries present is not offset by a bad prospect in any other direction.

WU TING FANGON "BOXERS."

Chinese Minister Says He Does Not Know the Organization.
Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister at Washington, appears to be unformed about the character or even the existence of the organization of persons in China just now vexing the representatives of several countries and compelling the powers having naval forces near Peking to send marine guards to that city to protect the legations and the diplomatic officers, says the New York Times. The attention of the minister was directed recently to some publications touching the operations of the "Boxers" and the declaration that had been made by writers that the revolution indicated a breaking up of the empire.

"There can be nothing in that," Mr. Wu replied. "I do not want to discuss the question of the relations between China and the rest of the powers. This 'Boxer' disturbance is a new thing to me. I have heard nothing from my government on the subject, and I cannot judge its proportions from newspaper dispatches. From not knowing China the writers of the dispatches may exaggerate the movement. It seems to me to be a local disturbance which does not involve any broad international questions."

"Do you think the development of China trade, the open door policy, is likely to be affected by the disturbances?" was asked.

"No, no. I do not believe any broad questions are involved. What is the use of trying to interpret and explain what we do not yet know anything about? There is probably an exaggerated idea of what the disturbance is. I know nothing of what the disturbances are. I know nothing of what the 'Boxers' are."

"What does the term signify in Chinese?" was asked.

"I presume," the minister replied, "that the name comes from athletes; men who box are athletes. I see by the Chinese papers that the organization is called 'Yue Ho Chuan,' which signifies righteousness, harmony and faith. This probably means that you would call being in training as athletes are to develop their strength in the interest of harmony and righteousness. It is a new order to me."

Chicken Killed Its Diamond.
George Rogers, who spends much of his leisure time on his country place, near Richmond, Ind., feeding chickens for the market, is in a dilemma. The other day while feeding his pets from his hand—a greedy fowl plucked a \$500 diamond from a ring on his finger, and before he could identify the culprit it disappeared in the crowd. Rogers may have to kill his entire flock of 300 to find the jewel, though they are not yet ready for the market. If he kills them and does not find the diamond, he will increase his loss at least \$100.

Queer Changes Brought About.
Owing to the pressure of circumstances trekking in South Africa has become rapid transit—New York World.

Nearly all the pain, suffering and tortures endured by nervous and debilitated women might be relieved; and the feeble, tired and thin-blooded might be made well and strong, full of vitality and attractive sweetness, if they would take the proper remedy. I used Dr. Miles' Nervine for nervousness and a general run-down condition, and found it the most satisfactory medicine I ever used."
MANY MCFANN,
Liberty Mills, Ind.
Dr. Miles' Nervine is sold at all druggists on a positive guarantee. Write for free advice and booklet to Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Trainmen on the C. H. & I. Road Found Buried Beneath a Freight Car Thirty Feet From the Engine Which Had Gone Over on Its Side.

A Frightful Wreck on the C. H. & I. Railroad Yesterday Morning in Which Five Persons were Killed.

A frightful freight wreck, remarkably similar to that which occurred on the L. E. & W. at Erlin yesterday afternoon, occurred at 2 59 o'clock yesterday morning on the C. H. & I. division of the C. H. & D. about 100 yards north of McGouglie's station and four miles west of Hamilton. Five men and possibly six most of whom are well known among the local C. H. & D. men, were killed. The known dead are: Tim Mahoney aged 23 fireman residence South Fifth street Hamilton O. David Starkey, aged 23, head brakeman residence Kinsville, Indiana. Ambrose Smith aged 17, residence Fifth and Sycamore streets Hamilton, Ohio. John Baker aged 42, 711 Laurel st Indianapolis. Unknown, supposed to be John B. Wright aged 17 or 18 residence Springfield Ind. The injured are: Sam Clover, engineer right arm scalded and burned residence South Fourth street Hamilton, Ohio. Two cars loaded with cattle and one with hogs killed to the Cincinnati Stock yards, were smashed into kindling wood and almost all of the stock killed.

RAILS SPREAD The accident was caused by spreading rails. East bound freight No 91, in charge of Conductor William Lightfinger, of Indianapolis going at the rate of 20 miles an hour, struck the spread rails. The engine and tender slipped along the track for about 30 feet when the engine leaped head downward into the tank and 14 of the 4 loaded cars tumbled together in an inextricable mass some 100 yards in front of the engine. The body of Fireman Mahoney was found beneath a freight car 30 feet from the engine, alongside the remains of Starkey. Both men were unmarried.

UNDER THE CATTLE The bodies of Smith and Baker and the boy supposed to be John Wright of Springfield Ind. were dug out with difficulty from beneath the cattle. They had been riding on the bumpers of the last cattle car, and when the crash came were hurled into the mass of writhing and frenzied cattle, and were either stamped to death or crushed outright. Smith left last evening to attend a party at College Corner. Four hoboes who were riding in a coal car next to the caboose, and who miraculously escaped saw the boy jump the freight at College Corner. The only clue to the identity of the fifth victim is a postal card addressed to John B. Wright, of Springfield, Ind., Henry county, and signed Oliver C. Arnold. It relates to the commencement exercises held at the Mt. Summit church, May 26 and that he class was to meet at Mr. Le's house preparatory to the commencement exercises. The remains of Brakeman Starkey and the Hamilton lad were laid out at Hunter's morgue and those of Fireman Starkey at Wagner's morgue.

THE ENGINEER'S STORY. Engineer Sam Clover who miraculously escaped with his life, gave the following account of the wreck. "We were going about 20 miles an hour down grade when I felt the engine thumping on the cross ties, and I yelled to Mahoney to save himself. The engine ran about 90 feet when she veered over on Mahoney's side. I jumped for the top of the cab and crawled over the cab onto the water tank. I could not tell what caused the rails to spread."

ENGAGED THE BAND. The fire department at Ottawa will go to Napoleon to take part in the tournament, and it proposes to go in style. The Lima band has been engaged to lead the Ottawa fire ladders in the parade.

Tragedy Occurs at Spencerville. Man Found Unconscious Beside a Railroad Suffering From a Fractured Skull Which Caused His Death This Morning—Coroner Burton Called.

Nathaniel Hoglin, aged 42, a well known farmer who lived with his aged mother in the country three miles north of Spencerville, died at that place this morning from an injury that he sustained at an early hour yesterday morning. Coroner Burton was called to Spencerville by a message received at noon today announcing Hoglin's death and drove to the canal village immediately with in company with a Times-Democrat reporter. Arriving at Spencerville at 2 o'clock this afternoon Coroner Burton viewed the remains and found that death had resulted from the effects of a severe blow the victim had received at the base of the brain. From the information that could be obtained it seems that Hoglin had visited this city Saturday and returned to Spencerville on Erie train No 3 late Saturday night. He was found by an Erie freight train crew about three o'clock Sunday morning and was beside the track about 600 feet from the depot in an unconscious condition. He never fully regained consciousness and consequently furnished no information concerning the manner in which the fatal injury was sustained. It is supposed however that he attempted to get off the train while it was in motion and was thrown. There were rumors of foul play but they are discredited by Coroner Burton.

DELPHOS COUNTED ON SECURING THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT. And Expresses Disappointment But Accepts Lima in the Right Spirit as Second Choice.

Lima has secured the State Tennis Tournament this year by the grace of the Toleno and Cincinnati officers, overlooking the fact that Delphos was the real author of its revival by the silver cup contests given here common appreciation of courtesies due our town would have brought it here. Without the crowd of tennis fans organized by the Delphos contests the State Tournament at Toledo last year would have been a very slight affair, but Toledo forgot that Lima is all right as our neighbor and is the second choice of our players and will be convenient, there will be a good crowd from the Northwestern Ohio organization to make it a success with no special thanks to the non reciprocal delinquents from the metropolis at the ends of the canal. It is supposed to be held about the 4th of July if they can get down to a decision—Delphos Courier.

WONDERFUL SEA CLOWNS. Among the many performing wild creatures which will be seen in the Adam Forepaugh and Sells Brothers' Consolidation of America's Greatest Menageries Circuses and Hippodromes at Lima on Wednesday, June 29, is Captain Woodcock's school of performing huge sea lions and mild-eyed seals everywhere attract mirthful admiration, as the only exhibition of the kind, and one abounding in the quaintest queerest and funniest illustrations of amphibious intelligence ever seen. A porpoise performing a polka at a fashionable hop would not be one whit more surprising than are many of the martial, musical, and mimic successes of these strange scholars, with only tails and flippers to physically aid their sagacity. Their programme includes a rarely wonderful combination of salt water and ashore imitations and comicalities, which are so uniquely incredible and grotesque as to evoke shouts of laughter, and to at once esteem them as clown pets with the children.

CARD OF THANKS. We desire to express our sincere thanks to all our neighbors and friends, who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our beloved father and husband. We especially appreciate the attentions bestowed by his brother Odd Fellows and the Rebekahs, and shall always tenderly remember those who presented the beautiful floral tributes. Mrs. D. D. BEELER and FAMILY.

Of Newsy Information Collected Over the River. The K. O. T. M. Dime Social a Success Which was Enjoyed by All Who Were in Attendance.

Personal Mention of Those Who Come and Go on the South Side of the City. A Busy Part of Lima.

Married yesterday at the M. E. parsonage by Rev. Letherman, Mr. Jessie R. Clark and Miss Emma Stetely. We extend our congratulations and wish them a long and happy life. They will make their home on South Main street. Both are from Indiana. Miss Kessler on Solar avenue is very sick. The programme for Children's Day at the south side Church of Christ last evening was well rendered and appreciated by a very large audience. Mr. and Mrs. John Royall, of west Kibby street spent Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kemper. The Ladies' Aid Society of the south side Church of Christ will have an all day sewing at the church next Wednesday. Mrs. G. A. Hewett of south Elzabeth street is entertaining her father Mr. John H. Hayes, of Marion, Ind. Mrs. William Pifer who has been visiting at Glywood O. returned to her home yesterday. The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McClain was made brighter by the arrival of a bright little daughter. Walter Mills and family are visiting Sandusky friends for a few days. M. C. Mumah of LaFayette, was most pleasantly entertained by Dr. Rudy and family yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cramer of west Kibby street was visiting friends near Delphos yesterday. E. Davis, of East Kibby street has for his guest David Davis and George Bone of Highland Paulding county. Both are thinking of moving here. George Smith of Oak street, will go to his farm for the summer. Mr. Smith is in poor health and thinks the fresh country air will be good for him. A. C. Shapell has a new clerk Miss Carrie Lear is the favored one. Miss Kittie Kavenaugh who has been most seriously sick is reported better. The little daughter of W. S. Mills, of Albert street met with a painful accident Friday evening. She fell and fractured her knee cap. Dr. Bates was called to attend her injuries. William Nushbaum, who is working at Columbus Ohio was at home with his family a few days last week. J. B. Kennedy, of Second street is enjoying a most pleasant visit from his brother J. L. Kennedy, of Harrisburg Pa. who is returning from the Engineers Convention at Milwaukee. Lima Hive, No 43, K. O. T. M. enjoyed a very pleasant time at their dime social last Friday evening. The program rendered was above the ordinary and the supper and dancing were enjoyed by all.

MEETING TO-NIGHT AT LIMA HOUSE. Everybody who is interested in having an old fashioned Fourth of July celebration is requested to meet at above place and bring their enthusiasm with them. Come feeling that this is an affair that all Lima people are interested in and that it is your duty to give it your influence. If all do this we will have 20,000 outside people here and provide an entertainment for them that will satisfy everybody and be a great advertisement for us abroad. Lima has the reputation of being the best city of its size in the State. Let us all put forth our best efforts in promoting this celebration. Bring the people here and satisfy them that we are worthy of the reputation. Put on your thinking caps, think of some scheme to keep it along and come to the meeting and tell about it. Remember this is a Lima Show to be got up by Lima people.

NOT ON YOUR LIFE. The band went to Lima Wednesday to play. It is likely that they will play at Lima this summer one evening out of each week.—Wanessfield Chronicle.

Of the L. E. & W. Under New Regime. Considered Likely to be Very Prosperous.

Many More Improvements in the Property and Equipments to be Recommended by the Men in Charge.

It is evident that the Lake Shore people propose to spend money liberally on the Lake Erie and Western, which the company recently acquired, says the Indianapolis Journal. The chief engineer of the road the superintendent of the motive power and general superintendent of the Lake Shore have recently made careful examinations of the conditions of the property, and are now prepared to recommend improvements which will make the Lake Erie and Western one of the standard roads crossing the state. Since the Lake Shore took control of the property there has been a marked increase in its freight traffic and as soon as its passenger train time schedules are adjusted and become better known to the traveling public doubtless a marked increase in passenger business will be realized. Pittsburg Engineer S. Gable is laid up at his home in Fort Wayne with a badly sprained ankle. Fireman H. L. Rhoads of the Pittsburg who had been disabled by a lame hand has about recovered and will soon be ready to return to work. George Williston has been appointed agent of the Lake Erie & Western at Fostoria, vice G. W. Seaman, resigned.

J. W. Plaster a brakeman on the Pittsburg had his right leg caught and badly pinched between the tank and a car as his train was passing through Lima, Ohio Saturday night. The unfortunate man lives at 27 Brackenridge street—Fort Wayne. A special train over the Pittsburg yesterday carrying a delegation from the Chicago Medical Association to the national convention which is in session at Atlantic City. Engineer Gillen of Fort Wayne has left the Pittsburg road and accepted a position as engineer on the Cincinnati Northern. He will move his family from Fort Wayne and reside at Van Wert.

The C. H. & D. will run its first excursion to the Soldiers' Home at Dayton Thursday June 14 and cars will run through to the home without change. The train will leave Lima at 5 55 and returning leave Dayton at 6 p. m.

WEBSTER GIANTS TO Play the Orioles at Findlay June 15.

The Lima Giants, Lima's crack colored baseball club, will play the Findlay Orioles expect to make things interesting for their colored friends. Two games were played here last season between the Giants and Manager Drake's nine. In each game the home team won easily.—Findlay Republican.

MOVED TO LIMA.

Mrs. R. F. Cahill and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tolon, who recently sold their Main street property to Dr. Steiner, have moved their household goods to Lima where they will make their future home. Mrs. Cahill has been a resident of Bluffton for nearly forty years and always took an active part in the general welfare of the community. The presence of Mr. and Mrs. Tolon, who have been highly respected and honored citizens will also be greatly missed.—Bluffton News.

GUEST OF HONOR.

Mrs. Harry Moulton, who is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harley Porter, at Toledo, was one of the honored guests of the Sorosis club, which closed the season with a fine banquet Friday evening, at the Collingwood.

FOR RENT.

Two story brick business block for sale. Price, \$5,500. Will rent for \$75.00 per month (a bargain). Call on E. P. Wilkins, No. 21 and 22, Opera House Block. Take elevator. 9-24

ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.

A full attendance at the regular meeting to night is requested, as arrangements are to be made to attend Brother John Purcell's funeral. By order of JOHN KENNEDY, Pres.

JACK HARBOLDT NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH. Was Watching One Cut of Cars While Another Came Near Running Him Down.—Whistle Warned Him.

Switchman Jack Harboldt, of the C. H. & D., narrowly escaped a tragic death about noon today. He was standing on the L. E. & W. track near the North street crossing, watching his crew work with a cut of cars on the C. H. & D. house track. A cut of cars was shoved down on the L. E. & W. track from the north, and he did not see them until Engineer Gustason saw his danger and sounded the whistle. He leaped from the track with one bound and barely escaped being run down.

DROWNED.

Untimely Death of the Son of a Former Lima Lady.

Yesterday the 10-year old son of P. F. W. & C. Conductor John Rohen, disappeared from his home in Ft. Wayne and last evening his body was found in the St. Mary's River. The boy's mother was formerly Mrs. Driguel Holland, daughter of Thomas Holland of this city.

WILL OPEN TONIGHT.

Moss & Patterson open their Phoenix Cafe tonight at 118 East Wayne street. Music and Free lunch. It

Philippine Commission Arrives. Manila, June 4.—The United States transport Hancock, from San Francisco, April 17, arrived here with the members of the Philippine commission. The members of General MacArthur's staff welcomed the commissioners on board the Hancock. The commissioners landed and drove to the palace escorted by General MacArthur's staff a band and two companies of the Twenty-sixth infantry, with artillery. At the place the commissioners were welcomed by General MacArthur in a short and forceful address.

Dead of a Lone Kobber. Raymond, Cal., June 4.—The lone highwayman who held up three Yosemite stages and two United States cavalrymen is still at large. Additional details reveal that the number of people held up numbered 32, 27 men and five women. Major Rucker and Captain Wilcox, United States army, with 65 men of Troop F, who were on the way to Yosemite reached the scene just as the robber was about to open the express box. Seeing the troopers he disappeared in the brush.

Murder at a Wedding Feast. Columbus, O., June 4.—Joseph Mulligan, 24, was shot and instantly killed by Michael Zecelle, the alias Frank Adams, an Italian. The tragedy followed the leasing incident to the marriage of Ida May Cockerill, daughter of Mr. Florence Cockerill, widow. To the latter the murderer and the victim had been paying attention and the tragedy was the result of jealousy. The wedding and killing occurred in the same room. Zecelle escaped.

Bad Rear-End Collision. Alliance, Neb., June 4.—A disastrous rear-end collision occurred on the Burlington, three miles west of here. Engineer Husting was instantly killed, Fireman Johnson very seriously injured, and Brakeman Ellis badly hurt. Freight train No 30 was running in two sections, and the second section crashed into the first. It is thought Engineer Husting fell asleep or was unable to control his engine. The property loss is heavy.

Elections in Italy. Rome, June 4.—The parliamentary general elections passed off quietly. Two hundred and fifty-one out of a total of 580 results are known. The constitutionalists have secured 192, 49 of which are held by the members of the constitutional opposition, the Radicals have secured 13 and the Republicans and Socialists 11. Five second ballots will be necessary. Cabinet officers were re-elected.

German Butchers. Berlin, June 4.—The Berlin butchers' guild has presented a petition to the undersecretary in connection with the meat inspection bill, claiming that hogs' livers and tongues are necessary to the manufacture of sausages, that inspection in such cases is practicable, and that their importation should be continued.

COW FOR SALE.

For a No. 1 family cow just fresh, call at 531 north Elizabeth street. 8 31

Lima Lodge, No. 205, F. & A. M., stated communication this evening. Work on F. C. degree.

L. F. LANDICK, W. M. WALLACE LANDIS, Sec'y.

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Michael's GREAT Unloading Sale Of Clothing. 20 Per Cent. Discount.

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CUTTLEFISH INK.

The cuttlefish ink which this curious animal secretes. The cuttlefish are caught in great numbers off the Cornwall coast and are used as a bait for the conger eel, for which this bait of the world is celebrated. The cuttlefish possesses no real mouth but has a long cylindrical sucker with which it adheres firmly to the bait. The method of capturing the fish is as follows: A long line from which are suspended from 200 to 300 hooks baited with portions of pickled (almost the only bait the cuttlefish will take) is let down into the sea and allowed to stop there for about half an hour. It is then drawn up and the cuttlefish are found hanging by means of their suckers to the bait.

The moment that they leave the waters they eye it with considerable force a great quantity of deep, black, viscous substance which is about the consistency of treacle, and the stain made by it upon the clothes of the fisherman is permanent if it happens to fall upon them. I had a conversation with one man who has several times received a full charge in his face and he assured me that beyond the smell, which is most nauseous, he felt no inconvenience at all no smarting or pain in his eyes and no bad after effects. If any of the liquid gets upon the nets, it rots them beyond repair unless it is washed off immediately. Another curious fact is that this fluid will not injure cloth in the slightest degree beyond making a permanent stain. One man told me that he had used a jersey for several years which had been squirted all over at different times by these cephalopods, but that except for the cloth being stained it was as good as ever.

Browning and the Cook. To Robert Browning a man was a man, whether he was served by many people or was the servant of others. On one occasion his son Barrett had hired a room in a neighboring house to exhibit his pictures, and in the temporary absence of the artist Mr. Browning was doing the honors to a roomful of fashionable friends. He was standing near the door when an unannounced visitor made her appearance, and of course he shook hands with her, greeting her as she did the other arrivals. "Oh, I beg pardon!" she exclaimed. "But, please, sir, I'm the cook Mr. Barrett asked me to come and see his pictures."

See the new stock of Wolff-Americans before you buy. From \$25 up. Special prices on present stock of Nationals and Orientals. Full line of Sundries. Harry Rumble, 112 north Elizabeth street. 196 6t&wky-44 4t

ATTACHMENT NOTICE.

The Petition of thing Before J. B. DeMott, Co. Plaintiff, Justice of the Peace of Ottawa Township, Allen County, Ohio, Defendant. On the 24th day of May, 1900, said Justice issued an order of attachment in the above action for the sum of fifty-two dollars and thirty-six cents (52.36).

RECEPTION TO ADMIRAL DOWLEY.

For a more occasion the Chicago & Erie R. R. Co. will sell excursion tickets on June 6th and 7th, good returning June 8th inclusive, for one fare for round trip. For time of trains, etc., apply to F. C. McCoy, Agent.

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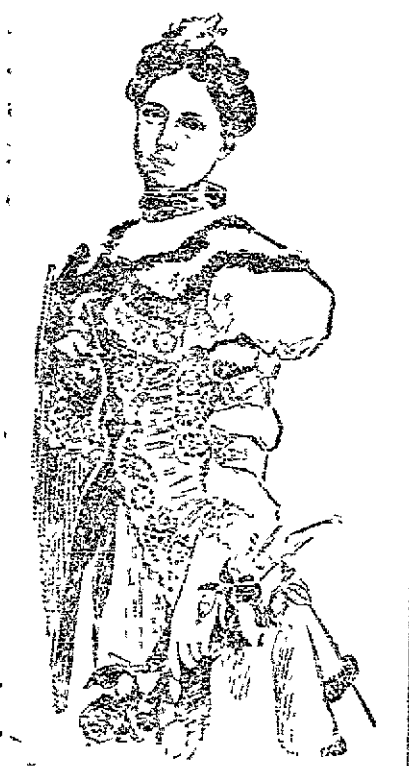
THE SOCIAL WHIRL.

THE GAY SIDE OF LIFE AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Functions More Brilliant Than Ever Before—But You Don't Hear Much About—Wonders That Die Young While in Committee.

(Special Correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—As was predicted in this correspondence some weeks ago, the social season in Washington this winter is unusually gay. The list of brilliant entertainments has so far exceeded that of any winter for a great many years. Including balls and dinners, both official and diplomatic, in fact, the whirl has been so swift that some of the lookers on have spoken of it as "the pace that kills." Several of the leading ladies of society have already succumbed to the drafts that have been made upon them by their numerous and trying engagements. Among these are Mrs. Charles Knapp Smith, wife of the postmaster general; Mrs. Long, wife of the secretary of the navy; and Miss Wilson, daughter of the secretary of agriculture. Miss Long is also on the list of



MISS ANNE DEWEY PARLORING.

those who have collapsed under the strain. But may society goes right along, taking little heed of those who fall by the wayside.

Among the most interesting entertainments of the winter have been the dinners given at the White House. A noteworthy dinner was that given by the Russian ambassador to Mr. and Mrs. Knapp of Philadelphia. The probable significance of this function is traceable to the czar's interest in warships, of which the Knapps are noted builders.

The first bachelors' ball of the season at Ritz's hall was a grand affair and commanded fully to the reputation that these balls have earned in past seasons. Of course there has been or will be the usual round of functions at the White House and at the homes of members of the cabinet, but even these that have so far taken place have been more brilliant as a rule than formerly.

The dinner of Mrs. Dewey to receive her friends at her mother's home, to Farragut square, rather than at her own home proved a keen disappointment to the public, whose interest in the Dewey home is something more than mere curiosity. Yet her explanation has been accepted as satisfactory, and it is understood that the real motive of her determination was her objection to risking the unavoidable draft from the opinion and criticism of the front door society facing the drawing room. Mrs. Dewey has a delicate throat, and every one appreciates the arrangement, especially as Mrs. McLean's house is far better adapted to the holding of large entertainments. The house is thrown open every Monday for the reception of the friends of Mrs. Dewey and the admiral. She received more than 500 callers at the first of these receptions, many of them from out of town. The Dewey house is proving as great a drawing card for bridal couples as the executive mansion or the echoing gallery of the capital rotunda.

The home of John R. McLean is one of the attractive substantial residences of the city. It is situated on the corner of Fifteenth and I street. It was here that the admiral and Mrs. Dewey were entertained at their first dinner after their return from their wedding journey. One of the principal attractions of this house is its immense ballroom. The room is famous in the social annals of Washington as the scene of some of the most brilliant affairs in the city's recent history, including the annual fancy dress ball of past holiday seasons given in honor of the young son of the house, Susan R. Anthony and other pioneers of the suffrage movement have been entertained upon each occasion of their meeting in this city in this room. Mr. McLean's house being one of the few private homes thrown open to the body of women.

The bachelor senator from New Jersey, Mr. Keen, who lives in the Fairchild Carpenter house, on Sixteenth street, just off Thomas circle, bids fair to be reckoned as one of the city's popular entertainers this winter. Mr. Keen has with him in Washington this winter his mother and three sisters, and it is understood that the eldest of the latter, Miss Sue, will preside at the elaborate affairs given in the senator's home.

Of course Senator Dewey will enter-

tain elaborately at his home at the Corcoran house, his niece, Miss Anne Dewey, is making, presiding. Residents are wondering what sort of provision the senator is going to make for pedestrian callers. Since the resolutions made by the late Senator Bruce there appears to be no way of gaining an entrance except through the porte cochere, and Mr. Dewey's friends say that one runs the risk of being trampled to death under the horses' feet. In this connection an amusing story is recalled. One morning, shortly after the alterations ordered by Mr. Bruce had been effected and the original front doorway had been bricked up, a certain high official, desirous of a personal interview with Senator Bruce, cut across Lafayette park from the war department and made a line for the front steps, only to find himself confronted by a dilemma. To all appearances there was no possible mode of ingress, and after a hasty investigation all around the distinguished visitor gave it up in despair.

A few days later the two gentlemen met at a dinner party, where during an informal chat the question of a change of entrance to the Corcoran house was brought up. The official related his morning's experience, and, after a hearty laugh over the situation, Senator Bruce tersely explained that in making the change he had taken it for granted that his friends would come in a carriage and not on foot.

Many interesting subjects of proposed legislation are overlooked because of the overshadowing importance of currency, coal, trust and ship subsidy bills in congress. The majority of these bills of which the public now hears, do not get beyond the precincts of the committee rooms, though it is not at all unlikely that many of them deal with questions upon which legislation is needed. All, however, are of this class. Among some of the interesting matters that have been introduced in bills presented before this congress are the following:

A measure has been presented by Representative Lloyd of Missouri for the purpose of preventing the practicing of law at the West Point and Annapolis academies. Mr. Lloyd proposes this amendment to the oath which the cadets are to take. "And that I will abstain from the practice of law in any form while at the academy."

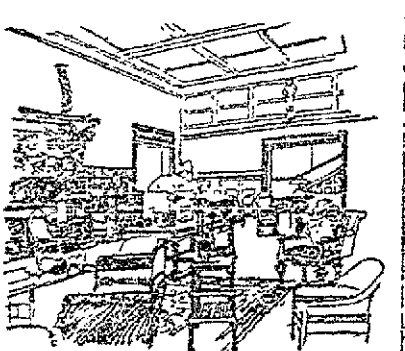
It has long been a matter of regret that reckless and greedy hunters were allowed to destroy the great herds of American bison, or buffalo, that once ranged upon our western plains. Representative Lacey of Iowa takes this matter much to heart, and he has submitted a measure in which he proposes to set apart a preserve of thousands of acres in New Mexico and to authorize the secretary of the interior to lease the same to Charles J. Jones of Topeka free of rent. In this preserve Mr. Jones is to place his full blooded American bison, which, with their increase, are to be protected by law. Many will deem this a laudable measure and one that ought to pass, but it is doubtful if it ever gets out of committee.

Representative Quarles of Virginia thinks that in these days, when the praises of the flag are being sung so loudly, it would not be a bad idea to legislate against its use for advertising purposes. He has introduced a measure prohibiting the use of the flag as an advertisement of any kind for the purpose of gain or profit or as a trademark or label. The measure also makes the same restrictions as regards the coat of arms of the United States.

Up to a certain point Representative Graham of Pennsylvania endorses the scheme which was the basis for the organization of the "Coke army." Mr. Graham has introduced a measure in which he proposes an appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the building of public roads, the proceeds to be applied in each state in proportion to the mileage of roads.

If the bill introduced by Representative Spaulding of North Dakota ever becomes a law, the army "canteen," which aroused so much discussion during the Spanish war must go. The bill provides that no person shall sell or give away spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in any camp or port or premises used for military purposes by the United States. This bill has the support of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, and it was at the earnest solicitation of prominent members of that organization that Representative Spaulding introduced it, but like these previously mentioned, it will probably die in committee.

True to his Populist record and associations, Senator Allen of Nebraska



CORNER OF BALLROOM IN RESIDENCE OF JOHN R. McLEAN.

has come to the front with a bill embodying one of the cardinal principles of his party's platform. Mr. Allen has introduced a bill for the establishment of a postal savings department in every postoffice of the country whose annual receipts exceed \$500. In support of his measure the senator says he wants to afford the persons of small means throughout the United States a chance to save some money without the risks involved in putting it into ordinary banks. This proposition is not new to congress, for it has been introduced and discussed in several of the congresses during the past dozen years.

SAMUEL HUBBARD.

RULERS OF THE RAIL.

UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION CONTROLLED BY ELEVEN MEN.

How Owners of Big Systems Have Become Stockholders of Their Competitors and Connections—Community of Ownership.

(Special Correspondence.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—Eleven men now control practically all the railroads in the United States. Under the fascinating scheme of community of ownership the principal stockholders in each great group of roads have become minor stockholders in the others, which is supposed to secure amiable personal relations and prevent the secret intrigues which have baffled the magistrates for a quarter of a century.

The railway oligarchy, which now seems to be practically absolute, is made up of William K. Vanderbilt, J. Pierpont Morgan, Alexander J. Cassatt, E. H. Harriman, the two Rockefellers, James J. Hill, George J. Gould, Collis P. Huntington, Jacob H. Schiff and James Speyer. Less than half of these gentlemen hold railway positions of more prominence than modest directorships. Cassatt and Hill are in active charge of the systems which they control, and Huntington is active or inactive as best suits his inclination or convenience. The others are simply the men behind a regiment of presidents, who do as they are told or lose their jobs.

William K. is the latest and greatest of the Vanderbilts. He dominates the New York Central, Lake Shore, Michigan Central, Big Four, Lake Erie and Western, Chicago and Northwestern and several other roads which have come into his fold by way of the bargain counter.

Morgan controls more miles of railroad than any other man in the world. His specialty is the reorganization of bankrupt properties. Magnified a millionaire, he has the faculties of the successful junk dealer or the renovator of secondhand clothes. His dominion includes the big Southern system, the Erie, the Lehigh Valley, the Philadelphia and Reading and the Northern Pacific. As the representative of foreign shareholders he has a voice in the management of the Pennsylvania system. Mr. Morgan is also a director in numerous railroads which other people dominate, and a few small roads in



WILLIAM ROCKEFELLER.

the soft coal regions have recently fallen into his net. There is no reason, however, why these side issues should be considered seriously either by the reader or Mr. Morgan himself.

The Rockefellers have invested in railroads a few hundred millions made in oil. William, the younger brother of John, attends to this end of the fraternal interests, which include the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the balance of power in the New Haven and the Lackawanna. It is said that they do not intend to be active in railway management, but the habit of having their own way, acquired in the oil business, often makes itself felt in their more recent field of investment.

E. H. Harriman is the new sun that has risen in the west. He controls the Illinois Central, the Union Pacific, the Oregon Short Line, the Oregon Railway and Navigation company and the Chicago and Alton and is now reorganizing the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf. With Mr. Schiff, he recently acquired an interest in the Southern Pacific.

A. J. Cassatt is the head of the great Pennsylvania system, which is a financial republic rather than a monarchy, as most railroads are. He is practical and diplomatic and exerts an influence second to none.

C. P. Huntington controls the Southern Pacific as absolutely as the czar does Russia. The system includes the Morgan line of steamships, making a continuous line from New York to San Francisco by way of New Orleans.

James J. Hill of the Great Northern, known in the northwest as Jim, is the chief factor in the transportation of wheat. He owes an interest in the Northern Pacific, just to be neighborly, and is a director in the Baltimore and Ohio.

George J. Gould manages the railroads which his father left him in a conservative manner and avoids the plunges which made his parent a picturesque character in American financial history. The principal Gould roads are the Missouri Pacific, the Wabash, the St. Louis Southwestern and the International and Great Northern. The Goulds have comparatively small interests in the eastern lines.

Messrs. Schiff and Speyer are representatives respectively of the banking houses of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Speyer & Co. of New York, which are rivals in size and strength to the famous firm of J. P. Morgan & Co.

GEORGE EDWARDS.

WHEN PEACE COMES.

WHAT THE FUTURE HAS IN STORE FOR AFRICA.

Belief That Foreigners and Not Ulstermen Will Get the Commercial Prizes—Keeping the Blacks Out of the War.

(Special Correspondence.)

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 1.—After the war what? This interests many people more than the war itself. People generally believe that the British will win, but at a greater cost in blood and money than they or anybody else except the Boers expected. The war will broaden out the younger generation of Boers. The older ones that are not killed will live out the remainder of their lives in the sullen belief that there has been some mysterious slip in the plans of Providence. The Boers



IN THE TRENCHES.

who accept the situation as the war leaves it will be an important factor in the future of South Africa.

The Ulstermen, the people without a country, for whom the British went to war, will occupy an unenviable position in the eyes of the world. The Boers will continue to hate them, and the British will always wonder whether or not they were worth fighting for. The masterly manner in which the Ulstermen keep away from the firing line is the admiration of all lovers of acrobatic art. When the war is over—mark the prophecy—these people will not be in the swim. They will find the sale of mining stock to unwilling buyers to be up hill work. The cream of legitimate business will be done by somebody else—Americans, British, Boers, Germans, French, Portuguese, black savages—anybody but Ulstermen.

South Africa will some day produce plenty of coal, sugar and grain, as well as gold and goats, the bulk of the present product outside of diamonds. The people of Natal have been very successful in the production of excellent tea, which is not so astrigous as the Indian and Chinese teas, it having a less percentage of tannin in it, but has a delicate flavor. Ten growing might be commenced experimentally in the rich country behind Delagoa Bay, and if found to answer, as there is every chance of its doing, it would add another important industry to the long list that will be formed and prove flourishing in the future.

It takes war to show a nation who its friends are. Among the best British soldiers now fighting in South Africa are the Irish. There are many Irishmen fighting with the Boers, but they are in the background. The Irish with the British forces, the Dublin fusiliers, the Connaught rangers, the Baniskillens, the Munster fusiliers, have borne the brunt of many battles. With the able assistance of their old comrades in arms, the highlanders, the Irish troops have indeed been doing nearly all England's fighting.

To the credit of both British and Boers, be it said, there is less and less prospect of enlisting the savage black tribes on either side. There are certain natives of India, however, whom the British might import without undue shock to civilization, as they are classed as British subjects, and many of them are already recognized as British soldiers.

The fiercest native Indian fighters are the Churkas. They are small and broad shouldered. They form a part of the regular English army in India and are well drilled and well uniformed in the usual light suit suitable for that climate. No amount of instilled English ideas and no amount of English drilling has been able as yet to convert them to the use of the rifle or the field gun alone.

When England first fought in India, the Gurkhas were their most hated foes. Woe to the British square that could not stop with its guns the onrush of the little men as they ran into close quarters. Stabbing right and left with a strength that was wonderful, avoiding the clumsy bayonets of the redcoats, these Gurkhas were bound to leave their mark wherever they went. However, as time went on the Gurkhas began to fraternize with their ancient enemies until the colonial policy of old England put them into a khaki uniform and turned the deadly blade against the foes of the crown.

There is a growing sentiment, however, that this is a white man's war, and it is to be hoped that the combatants will both fight it out on that line. The blacks are dangerous enough at all times. If they can be kept out of the present war, they will be easier to handle when peace is restored, and it is the coming peace in which all the world is interested. All classes and colors of people are waiting to get at the wealth of South Africa.

CECIL HOYT.

TRICKS OF FASHION.

Sleeves That Hide the Arms and Show the Shoulders.

New York, Jan. 23.—Of all the silly fashions or fads I think the very worst is the way some sleeves are arranged now. They are made so long as to reach to the fingers, and at the top they are left to fall down to below the round of the shoulder, where they hang and indelibly distress upon the beholder, who is in constant fear of seeing them fall completely off. They also make the arm look preternaturally long. Of course this peculiar sleeve was invented for a purpose, and that is to bring out the delicate lines of the fair white shoulder and to hide the fact that the lines in the arm below it are too thin and undeveloped. There is a band or strap that performs the office of a real sleeve in folding up the waist. This is generally very ornate, trimmed with bows, feathers, fringe, fur, flowers, lace and I don't know what else. Sometimes they are made simply of a puff of tulle over the shoulder. In any case, the plan is the same. Often there is a wreath of artificial flowers around the neck, but more often a collar of pearls or a band of ribbon fringed with beads or spangles. These are all worn with the desire of hiding the immaturity of the wearer.

A case in point may be seen in the illustration. This is an elegant evening gown for a young matron. It is made of willow green taffeta as to the underslip and covered with beautiful white lace in all over design. There is a tunic of willow green peau de seale bordered with an applique of resistance lace all around. It opens high on the left side in jabot folds and is draped across the waist. The bodice part is a figure of lace over the peau de seale, and the hanging sleeves are of lace. On the straps are small bows of willow green ribbon set with pale pink trailing arabesques. A large bunch and hanging spray of that are put at the left side of the waist. This is all beautiful, tasteful and even artistic, but look at the sleeves!

Balls and masquerade and fancy dress parties are all the rage, and perhaps some bright young girls would like to hear how to make some pretty fancy dresses. These are not expensive or difficult and are really novel.



NEW WRINKLE IN SLEEVES.

One called a "lecher" was pretty. The costume was intended to represent the deep woods, and the dress was short waisted and had a narrow skirt reaching to just above the ankles. It required some soft and lustrous stuff. Around the medium low neck was a roll of moss, and a long sort of bow was made of the same, carried loosely over the bare arms. A little chain held three small red toaststools as pendants at the throat. A long, close "brownie" hood had a cape portion hanging down on the neck. This was cut round to fit the head, with the point left off, and had a row of moss along the front and a red toaststool with a white stem standing on the top about 2½ inches high. Brown slippers and white stockings completed the costume.

Another pretty costume is called Pierrette. The short dress is of black silk, with white pompons set at intervals around the bottom. Black stockings and slippers with white pompons, but smaller; a white sash tied behind, long white gloves, and an enormous white muff and white pecked hat with pompons made this costume perfect after its kind.

There are always the usual butterfly, flower girl, daughter of the regiment, Marguerite and Juliet, but these are all old—very old. New is a costume for a grand and statuesque woman called the renaissance. The front of the skirt is of orange velvet, with a conventional applique of purple and green satin in form of iris, with the leaves and roots entwined in arabesques. This pattern reaches up quite to the waist line. The orange velvet is sewed to a so called waist of purple velvet high on the bust, like empire gowns, the joining being under a silver band, set with three immense gold ornaments. The sleeve to the elbow was tight, and from there was a square open sleeve of pale white and lilac chenille silk in its design. This hung to the feet. At the opening there was another gold ornament. The back was of the chenille design and laid in massive folds. There was a gold fillet around the hair, and from this hung two elaborate golden ornaments. An Easter lily is to be carried to complete this. The idea could be developed in much cheaper materials.

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7 Sunday Only	8:55 p. m.	9:05 p. m.

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8 Daily except Sunday	6:00 a. m.	6:10 a. m.
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4 To New York, daily	6:00 p. m.	6:10 p. m.
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18 To Chicago and west, daily	9:20 a. m.	9:30 a. m.
19 To Chicago and west, daily	12:00 p. m.	12:10 p. m.

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3 To New York, daily	2:30 p. m.	2:40 p. m.
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A ROYAL BRIDE.

Princess Sada of Japan, who is to visit us next spring. There will be a great many brides traveling about on honeymoon tours with their newly acquired husbands in this country next spring. There always are. But probably the bride who will attract the widest interest among Americans will be the Princess Sada of Japan, who is to be married to his Imperial highness Yoshihito, the crown prince of the land of the chrysanthemum.

She is a very young princess and very beautiful, as princesses always are. More than this, she will some day be empress of all Japan, and if anything further were needed to make her a personage of interest she will come to us with a wedding trousseau on



PRINCESS SADA OF JAPAN.

which more than \$1,000,000 has been expended. All recorded extravaganzas of American money kings or European royalty pale in comparison with this stupendous outlay. Imperial etiquette demands, however, that this young person be garbed on no less lavish a scale.

The Princess Sada was publicly betrothed on Nov. 3 last, on the occasion of a long series of gorgeous fetes, to his Imperial highness Yoshihito, the crown prince. Yoshihito is only 20 years old and in rather frail health.

It is well known that a Japanese empress or a princess of the royal house may no longer confine herself to the Japanese dress, but on all formal occasions must appear in European costumes. Therefore the Princess Sada is having not only a profusion of magnificent Japanese costumes fashioned from the costliest stuffs by the cleverest hands that the country affords, but must also be equipped with toilets of Parisian stamp. Many of the finest jewels in the world are being gathered to set off her highness' delicate skin and dusky hair.

HAZARDOUS WINTER TRIP.

Argonauts Start		
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Overland For Cape.

None.

A midwinter trip of 950 miles over the snow-covered ice of the unknown parts of western Alaska is soon to be begun by a little party which recently sailed from Seattle. The golden beach of Cape Nome is the objective point, and it is hoped by the hardy argonauts that by making the overland trip they will reach there months before the ice locked waters of Bering sea permit of navigation in the spring.

The originator and leader of the expedition is Frank Sanders, a mail carrier. Sanders has collected a large number of letters for the delivery of which he is to receive \$2 each. He has also engaged to guide the party over the trackless wilderness of snow. Although he has never been over the route, he is confident of his ability to make the trip. He has secured the backing of E. O. Lindholm, a Cape Nome magnate, who is one of the party.

The start will be made from Kam-mio, where they will be landed from



FRANK SANDERS AND HIS ROUTE.

the steamer. The coast line will be followed as closely as possible to avoid the mountainous country, and the drive will be a bleak and lonely one. Travel will be made only in the daytime, the party sleeping in tents at night. Sanders has a light sled about 10 feet long, in which are packed his tent, stove, mail, newspapers and provisions.

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Honeycombed With Pro-Boer Sympathizers of High and Low Degrees.

BY ANDREW DOWNS.

Although Cape Colony is British territory, its colonists are by no means unanimous in loyalty to the imperial government. As a matter of fact, Cape Colony is honeycombed with disloyalty. Every other man is a Boer sympathizer. Cape Town itself is the headquarters of a large number of Boer secret service agents who are, to use a less diplomatic term, spies.

A recent dispatch from there says that every movement of the British forces at this base is speedily known in Pretoria. Just what means the Boers have of making such quick communication of news is not known, but the fact remains that the Boers are singularly well informed, while the British are kept in the dark as to the affairs of the Boers.

It is difficult for us to realize at this distance the exact state of affairs in Cape Colony. It must be remembered that more than one-half of the white population of the colony is made up of Dutch. Many of these are descendants of the original Dutch who settled the region and who did not join in the great trek when the clash came with the British. Others are Dutch who have settled there in more recent years, but whose sentiments are anti-British.

Then there are many Cape Colonists who are neither Dutch nor British, but whose fond dream is the establishment of a great South African republic composed of the several states now under British control. Lastly, there are the loyal British.

So you see there is a remarkable mixture of sentiment regarding the war. Some of the people are intensely pro-Boer, some are strictly neutral and some are intensely pro-English. It has been some surprise to the English soldiers to be received on landing at Cape Town, by huge crowds who looked on their arrival in glum silence broken only by a few cheers and a few groans.

The Cape Colonists are, as a rule, extremely reticent in expressing their views. The war is almost a forbidden subject in public places. An English



SAN HENDRICK BOEFMEYER.

colonist's best friend and next door neighbor may be a Boer. Both have strong sympathies, and both keep to themselves. It is only when little knots of friends who share sentiments in common get together that there is free discussion about the war.

The English have been doing their best to conceal this condition of affairs, but now and then the truth is made public. The Pall Mall Gazette printed the other day a letter from a correspondent in which it was stated that Cape Colony was "a seething mass of discontent, and if a Boer commando should touch any district in the colony that district would join the Boers almost in a body." It is hardly necessary to say that this information could not have been sent by cable. It would have been suppressed by the censor.

The position taken by the Afrikaner party, which is a strong element in Cape Colony politics, is expressed in the demand that England give up the war and make peace with the Boers at the best terms she can. It also demands the resignation of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. Of course this is pro-Boer talk, but the Afrikaners pretend no loyalty to England.

The leader of the Afrikaner Bond is Jan Hendrick Hofmeyr. He has been called the Dick Croker of Cape Colony. He sat for some years in the Cape house of assembly as a member of the Stellenbosch and in 1881 became a member of the executive council.

To the colonial conferences of 1887 and 1894 he was an all powerful delegate and invariably carried his point whenever he stood up to lend. During the past years he has greatly increased his authority over his political subjects, who stand ready to do or die for him.

Another pro-Boer member of the Cape parliament is J. W. Sauer, the Dutch statesman who has been openly accused of disloyalty to the British crown. He is a man of many distinctions and a power in the land. He is one of the few subjects of the queen who have ever had offered to them and have refused the honor of knighthood.

He comes by right of birth to his sympathies for the struggling burghers, for his father was a magistrate in the Orange Free State. He has been a member of the Cape Town parliament for more than 25 years. He served as colonial secretary in the government of Cecil Rhodes and was thereafter for some years the leader of the opposition.

MISS SWAN'S ENGAGEMENT.

Smart Set Debutante Who Is to Marry a Young Diplomat.

The latest society engagement which is being discussed by "the smart set" in Washington, New York and Newport is that of Miss Laura Patterson Swan to young W. S. Max Muller, second secretary to the British embassy at Washington. Miss Swan is the daughter of Mrs. Sidney Turner Swan, now Mrs. Dyer, the brilliant and beautiful Baltimore belle whose divorce and marriage to Bliska Dyer, Jr., were the talk of the gossip for many months.

Miss Swan is one of the season's debutantes. She was formally presented only a few weeks ago at a Monday night cotillion in Baltimore. She has been much in the company of the young undersecretary all winter, how-



MISS LAURA PATTERSON SWAN.

ever, and the announcement was anticipated. She is one of the cotillions in which the Burdens, Gerrys and Slaters are leaders. She is petite and pretty, of the golden blond type, of which her mother is such a conspicuous example.

When, in July, 1888, Mrs. Swan received an absolute divorce from her husband, Donald Swan of Baltimore, the custody of her 5-year-old daughter, Laura, was given her. She is the daughter of William Turner of Virginia. She is a cousin of Colonel Bonaparte and grandniece of Mrs. Patterson, wife of Jerome Bonaparte.

After her divorce Mrs. Swan purchased the G. G. Haven villa at Newport, but spent much time at Pan or Cannes. She has many accomplishments, not the least of which is a genius for designing pretty gowns. Bliska Dyer, Jr., Miss Swan's stepfather, the handsome six footer of Providence, already the most sought cotillion leader, married Mrs. Swan in 1891, shortly after his appearance as "best man" at the wedding of Colonel Jack Astor and Hamilton Fish Webster. In the character of Francis I. Mr. Dyer led the famous Bradley Martin costume ball at the Waldorf in 1897.

A GENERAL'S WIFE.

Lady Methuen, Who		
No.	Arrive.	Depart.
1 To New York, daily	7:30 a. m.	7:40 a. m.
2 To New York, daily	11:00 a. m.	11:10 a. m.
3 To New York, daily	2:30 p. m.	2:40 p. m.
4 To New York, daily	6:00 p. m.	6:10 p. m.
5 To New York, daily	9:30 p. m.	9:40 p. m.

there are thousands of English wives and mothers who watch the reports daily for news of their loved ones absent in South Africa, there is perhaps none who has so much cause for anxiety as Lady Methuen, wife of General Lord Methuen. She has had to bear reports not only that her husband was badly wounded, but that his mind had been affected by the strain under which he has been placed.

Lord and Lady Methuen were married in 1884, it being the baron's second marriage. They have one child, a son, born in 1886. Lady Methuen is a young



LADY METHUEN.

and handsome woman, being much younger than her husband. She comes from a famous west of England family, the Sanfords of Nynedead Court. Her mother was of the ducal house of Somerset, and she is otherwise connected with the oldest families in the kingdom. An uncle, Major Sanford, was killed at Lucknow.

Though Lord Methuen has been absent on military service much of the time since their marriage, Corsham Court, the family seat of the Methuens, has been the scene of much hospitality.

SORES and Ulcers

DRAIN THE SYSTEM, ENDANGER LIFE.

That old sore or ulcer, which has been a source of pain, worry and anxiety to you for five or ten years—maybe longer—doesn't heal because you are not using the proper treatment, but are trying to cure it with salves and washes. While these are soothing and relieve pain to some extent, no real, permanent good can come from their use, because the disease is in the blood and far beyond the reach of external applications.

A sore heals promptly when the blood is in good condition, but never if it is diseased. The tendency of these old sores and ulcers is to grow worse, spreading and eating deeper into the flesh. They are a constant drain upon the system, gradually but surely ruin the health and sap the very life. A person's capacity for work or pleasure is soon lost in the great desire and search for something to cure.

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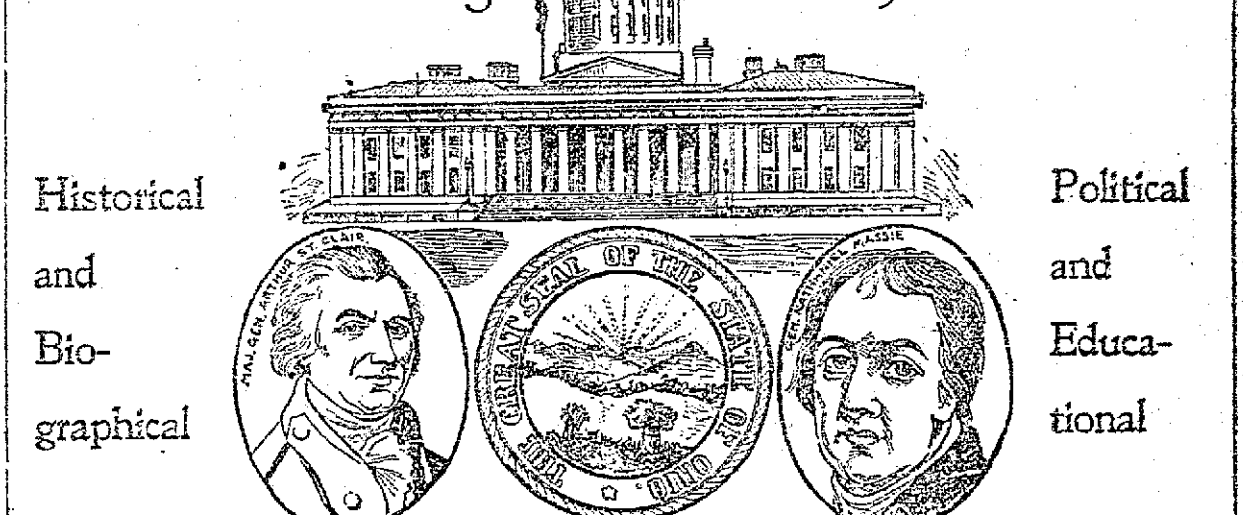
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SHERIFF'S SALE.

Case No. 9432. Page 1. Sheriff, Allen county, Ohio. James D. Armstrong, plaintiff's attorney. May 28, 1900.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued from the Court of Common Pleas, of Allen county, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at the east door of the Court House in Lima, Allen county, Ohio, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 30th, 1900, between the hours of one o'clock and four o'clock p. m., the following described lands and tenements, situate in the City of Lima, Allen county, Ohio, and described as follows, to-wit:

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ENGINE TURNS OVER

Crushing Two Men to an Instant Death.

Fatal Wreck at Erlin

Brakeman J. W. Purtell and Fireman Enoch Bowsher

Buried Under the Engine and Their Bodies Literally Cooked by the Hissing Steam from the Broken Injector.

Engineer Harr / Bell has a Miraculous Escape from Death but Sustains Injuries Which May Cripple Him for Life. Bodies of the Victims Brought Home This Evening.

The most frightful wreck that has happened on the L. E. & W. railroad roads in many months occurred at the little village of Erlin, Sandusky county, yesterday afternoon and it resulted in the death of two well known railroad men and another was seriously injured. Fireman Enoch Bowsher and brakeman John W. Purtell were instantly killed and engineer Harry Bell is confined to a bed in the private hospital of Dr. Stamm, in Fremont, suffering from a serious fracture of the left leg and with his left hip and thigh badly scalded. While the three men were at their posts of duty on the engine of an east bound freight train the locomotive left the track and before it could be brought to a stop it turned over on its side at one side of the track and the unfortunate fireman and brakeman were buried beneath its ponderous weight and their bodies were literally cooked before they could be rescued by their more fortunate fellow railroad men. The engine was completely wrecked, being stripped from boiler-head to pilot and eight freight cars were dashed to fragments upon and around it. The track was torn up for some distance and the cars and the freight they had contained were piled into one gigantic mass of debris through which a pathway for the relaying of the track was not made for more than fourteen hours.

AWFUL NEWS

OF THE ACCIDENT RECEIVED BY THE VICTIMS' RELATIVES.

Within a short time after the disaster occurred the operator at Vickery had wired a meager report of it to the dispatchers' office in this city and the sad news of the result was imparted to the relatives and friends of the victims. The wreck train was ordered out and left here about 4:30 o'clock in charge of conductor Tom O'Donnell; brakemen, Lew Lawson, James Seifried and engineer Ed. Casey and fireman William McClellan, with engine 57. Supt. Kramer accompanied the wreck train to the scene of the wreck and remained on the grounds until the track was opened up and repaired sufficient to permit trains to pass.

When passenger train No. 2 left here at 5:55 o'clock, engineer Joab Bowsher, brother of the dead fireman, John Kelly and Daniel Quinlan, uncles of the unfortunate brakeman, Mrs. Bell, wife of the injured engineer, and the latter's brother-in-law, F. E. Harman, George Halterman, master of the local lodge of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, and a TIMES-DEMOCRAT representative were among the passengers. From Fremont the passenger train was detoured around the wreck, running to Clyde, O., over the Lake Shore road and from that place to Sandusky over the Big Four. The Cedar Point excursion was also trans-

ferred around the wreck over the same roads.

ENGINEER BELL

TELLS OF HIS FRIGHTFUL RIDE ON THE DERAILED ENGINE.

About the same time that train 2 arrived at Fremont, engineer Bell was hauled into that city in a huckster's wagon and was taken to Dr. M. Stamm's private hospital. Mrs. Bell and Mr. Harman hastened to his bedside and found him resting as well as could be expected considering the nature of his injuries. He was seen a little later by the TIMES-DEMOCRAT reporter and without displaying the slightest evidence of excitement he related his experience during the awful plunge of his engine from which he alone escaped alive.

"We were not running very fast when the engine left the track," said the injured engineer, "I was only working a little steam until we passed the curve and reached the cut-off that connects with the passing track. Then I widened her and the first thing I knew she left the rails and commenced bumping along on the ties. At first I thought she was going to turn over on my side and I knew it wouldn't be safe to get off on the right side. Then suddenly she lunged the other way and turned over on her left side. The engine cleared the track and the train seemed to shove the tank on around. It was all over in an instant and I found myself out on the rear driver on my side of the engine. When I realized where I was I said to myself, 'I'm all right; and then I looked up and saw the cars coming over her and I thought it was all off, but the cars seemed to strike something that turned them away and they piled up on both sides. I laid still until it was all over and then jumped down to the ground on my broken leg. How I happened to land out on that driver and how I got my leg broken I can't tell. I guess the leg is in pretty bad shape for the fracture extends up into the knee joint. I've got a place on my hip scalded, as big as my hand, too, but that don't amount to anything. We must have run about 200 feet on the ties before she turned over but it seemed to be all over in a minute. I can't say just what caused us to leave the track, I don't know any thing about her tire bursting, but she seemed to go off the rails right at a pile of cladders where some one had cleaned their front end. We couldn't have been going over ten or twelve miles an hour when I widened her just before she left the rails. I thought sure she was going to turn over on my side and knew if I went out onto the running board she would turn over on me, but she turned square around and toppled over the other way. The last I saw of poor Enoch and Johnnie they were on the seat box together on Enoch's side. Some farmers carried me from the wreck to that porch in front of the grocery and one man got out his rig and started for Fremont with me but the road was terrible rough and when we met Dr. Finck, who was out driving with his carriage he got out and said it would never do to haul me in that way for the joints of the splintered bones in my broken leg would grind off and that would prevent them from knitting properly. I don't know how I ever got out alive and I'm sorry the other boys didn't fare as well as I did."

ILL FATED TRAIN

LEFT HERE YESTERDAY MORNING IN CHARGE OF CONDUCTOR FRENCH.

The ill fated train left the South Side yards in this city at 7:15 o'clock yesterday morning, running as through freight train No. 114 and was in charge of conductor Howard French. Engineer Bell was in charge of the engine, No. 105, Enoch Bowsher was his fireman, brakeman Purtell was on the head end and brakeman McComb was in charge of the rear end. At Bluffton the crew was passed by engineer Joab Bowsher, Enoch's brother, who was pulling an east bound gravel train. The gravel train was unloaded east of Erlin and passed No. 114 again at Fremont. The latter train pulled into Fremont at 1:50 yesterday afternoon and set off one car, leaving 25 cars in the train. They left Fremont at 2:05 o'clock and at 2:35 the wreck occurred at Erlin, five miles beyond Fremont.

Erlin is a very small hamlet in which the principal building is that occupied by a grocery and the village postoffice, facing the track at the edge of the company's right-of-way. The wreck occurred directly in front of this building and the disabled engine now lies on its left side on the street crossing about thirty feet from the track.

Instead of traveling about 200 feet on the ties, as engineer Bell supposed, the engine, after leaving the rails, traveled less than two car lengths before it made the fatal lunge to the left and turned over. The instant the engine stopped the cars began to stack up but fortunately for engineer Bell they spread in both directions and very little of the wreckage was piled over the engine.

BOWSHER'S ARMS

WERE AROUND PURTELL AND THEY DIED SIDE BY SIDE IN AN INSTANT.

As soon as possible conductor French and brakeman McComb ran to the engine where the massive pile of debris was half hidden in the cloud of hissing steam that was escaping from the wrecked injector and gauge-cocks on the boiler-head of the engine. They found engineer Bell on the bank a short distance from the engine and conductor French asked if he was hurt. He replied that his leg was broken and that he believed that the fireman and brakeman were under the engine. The conductor and brakeman McComb fought their way through the scalding steam and wrecked timbers in an effort to rescue the two unfortunates and found them only to realize what they had feared from the first—that both had died at their posts.

When the engine left the track Purtell was sitting in front of fireman Bowsher on the left seat-box and the accident occurred so suddenly that neither had time to even leap through the cab window. When the engine turned over both went down together to an instant death beneath the locomotive's ponderous weight. When conductor French and brakeman McComb reached them they found them pinned to the earth beneath the left side of the boiler head and Bowsher's arms were wrapped around Purtell. One man, a farmer, who was an eye witness to the accident, claims that he saw Purtell move a little after the engine settled down but was sure that he was unconscious and that neither of the unfortunate men suffered for even a second or two. Conductor French and the rear brakeman worked heroically and were severely scalded by the escaping steam in their effort to rescue the two men but when they reached them they found them dead with their bodies pinned against the hot boiler-head and the hissing steam from the broken injector escaping directly in their faces.

Conductor French, upon finding that the head brakeman and the fireman were beyond need of human aid, started for the next station, Vickery, to telegraph a report of the wreck to this

city, and brakeman McComb, assisted by the residents of Erlin and the nearby farmers, continued the work of rescuing the bodies. It was an hour before Bowsher's body was taken out and it required nearly two hours more to rescue the remains of Purtell. The latter was pinned by one of the main braces of the engine and a trench three feet in depth was dug in the ground under the engine before his body could be released.

TO FREMONT

THE BODIES OF THE TWO VICTIMS WERE TAKEN LAST NIGHT.

Shortly after nine o'clock last evening the two bodies were placed in conductor O'Donnell's caboose and were taken to Fremont, in charge of undertaker Schwartz, of that city. The forms were wrapped in white sheets and presented a ghastly appearance that will never be forgotten by the sad-hearted railroad men who saw them. The flesh of both men had been so frightfully cooked that when the clothing was removed from the bodies the skin and small bits of flesh came off with the underwear. The outer portion of the poor fireman's hands, including the finger nails, slipped from the inner flesh like a pair of loose gloves.

The remains were well cared for and embalmed by undertaker Schwartz and were placed in handsome black caskets which were selected by George Halterman and engineer Joab Bowsher.

FAST TIME

MADE BY THE WRECK TRAIN CREWS IN CLEARING THE TRACK.

The L. E. & W. and Lake Shore wreck train crews did excellent work in clearing the main track at the scene of the wreck. The track was badly blocked and considerably torn up but at 4:40 o'clock this morning Supt. Kramer, for whom a wire was "tapped" by lineman James Porter, reported the main track ready for traffic. The L. E. & W. wreck train crew, however, under the charge of foreman W. H. Chandler and conductor O'Donnell, will have two or three days' work before the wreck is entirely cleared and the freight is re-loaded. The cars directly behind the engine were loaded with oats, corn and strawboard. Six of the cars were completely demolished and a considerable portion of the oats was piled upon the engine and its two victims.

CONDUCTOR FRENCH

SAYS HORROR WAS ENACTED WITHIN THE SPACE OF FIVE SECONDS.

"Brakeman McComb and I were in the caboose when the accident occurred and I don't think we could have been going faster than a rate of fifteen miles an hour," said conductor French this morning. "We were running over some of the new gravel and all at once McComb noticed the dust flying and yelled to me to brace myself. We thought at first that an air hose had burst and were ready for the shock when it came. First there was a sudden checking of the train and then an abrupt stop that threw us forward with a lurch. The next instant we heard the hissing of the escaping steam and we both started on a run toward the engine for we knew something serious had happened. I didn't discover anything that seemed to indicate the cause of the wreck. A rail was turned over but that must have been done after the engine left the track. The whole thing occurred in not more than five seconds and the poor boys on the engine had no time to jump for their lives."

THIS EVENING

THE REMAINS WERE BROUGHT HERE FROM FREMONT.

Accompanied by Joab Bowsher, George Halterman and John Kelly the remains were brought here from Fremont, on L. E. & W. train 5, arriving here at 4:50 o'clock this afternoon. The members of the B. of R. T. and B. of L. F. met the sad party at the depot and the body of Purtell was taken to the home of his widowed mother, Mrs. Mary Purtell, at 421 east Findlay street. The remains of Bowsher were removed to his late home on west Kibby street, near Greenlawn avenue. Arrangements for

the funerals have not yet been completed, but they will not be held before Wednesday.

ALMOST IDENTICAL

WERE THE MANY WOUNDS ON THE BODIES OF THE TWO VICTIMS.

Excepting a gash that was found in the back of fireman Bowsher's head, the wounds on the bodies of the two men were almost the same. There were numerous gashes in the bodies and limbs from the necks down to the feet and the left leg of both was mashed at the knee and from the knee down where they were under the weight of the engine. Both left ankles were either fractured or dislocated. Purtell's left shoulder was fractured and it is thought that his neck was broken. Purtell's wounds bled but very little, but Bowsher bled profusely from the right ear.

THE CAUSE

OF THE WRECK MAY REMAIN THE MYSTERY THAT IT NOW IS.

The actual cause of the wreck may never be known positively but it is the general opinion that something about the engine broke and caused the wheels to leave the track. There were stories circulated about the engine losing a tire from one of its drivers but this could not be confirmed. The engine's left side is still buried in the earth where it turned over. Supt. Kramer advanced several theories concerning the cause but stated that he was unable to discover any definite evidence to substantiate either. Corner Tucker, of Fremont, who visited the scene of the wreck also claimed that he could not determine the cause.

INJURY

SUSTAINED BY ENGINEER BELL MAY CRIPPLE HIM FOR LIFE.

The fracture sustained by engineer Harry Bell may result in a permanent injury. The fracture extends into the knee joint and may cause the joint to be stiff after the wound heals. He and Mrs. Bell and their bright little baby will remain at Dr. Stamm's hospital for the present.

EXCELLENT

YOUNG MEN WERE BOTH OF THE WRECK'S VICTIMS.

Both Enoch Bowsher and John W. Purtell were Lima boys from their earliest childhood. The former was aged 32 years and 11 months, and is survived by his wife and one son, the latter aged about 5 years, and also by four brothers, Isaac Bowsher, of Shawnee township, Joab Bowsher, of the L. E. & W., Engineer Jerry Bowsher, of the C. H. & D., who is now off duty suffering from injuries sustained in a wreck in the Toledo yards, and Elijah Bowsher, janitor of the opera house block. Enoch Bowsher had been railroading most of the time for over ten years, and was formerly a member of and carried insurance in the B. of L. F. lodge. Being out of employment for some time a year or two ago, he was compelled to forfeit his life insurance and had not renewed it since resuming his position on the L. E. & W. About ten years ago he married Miss Lizzie Alspach, a former Delphos young lady.

J. W. Purtell was the oldest son of Mrs. Mary Purtell. He was only 29 years of age and was the main support of his widowed mother, four younger brothers and two sisters. His father, John Purtell, died about three years ago, and after the sad loss he quit school and secured employment. He worked in the L. E. & W. boiler shop for some time, and about two years ago secured a position as a brakeman on that road. He was a member of local division No. 291 Knights of St. John, was a member of Lima lodge No. 200, B. of E. T. in which he carried \$1,200 life insurance, and formerly carried insurance in the Knights of the Maccabees order, being a member of Lima Tent No. 142. He was a young man of exemplary habits and his friends were legion.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to both bereaved families. Everybody is invited to the Knights of St. John's entertainment to-morrow night at St. Rose's Hall. Admission 25 cents.

BUNCH

Of Club Meetings to be Held This Week.

Flag Day to be Celebrated by Happy Hours Club.

Ladies of the Lutheran Church Will be at Home to Their Friends Wednesday Evening With Mrs. A. E. Scheithe.

The following invitations have been issued to a large number of ladies: St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Home Society at Home With Mrs. A. E. Scheithe, 130 South Collet street, June 6th, 1900.

Mrs. A. E. Scheithe, Miss Carrie Carter, Mrs. L. S. Motter, Miss Rose Tabler, Mrs. D. W. Chum, Miss Belle Gibbs, Mrs. H. W. Neff, Miss Mary Stolzen, Miss Hannah Gordon, lunch.

Mrs. M. L. Johnston, of west Market street, will entertain a number of ladies at a luncheon next Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock.

The Q. R. S. Circle will meet with Mrs. Ward, of west Wayne street, next Thursday afternoon.

Flag Day will be observed next Thursday by the Happy Hours Club who will entertain friends at the home of Mrs. Tabler, of west Wayne street.

The Bay View Club will hold a business meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Howard Williamson, of west Market street.

Mrs. J. A. Hull, of west High street, was the hostess for the Wimodaghs Circle Friday, entertaining also the following neighbors and friends: Mesdames Wright, R. Truesdale, T. E. Thompson, J. W. Brackney, G. A. McDonnell, Hollister, G. W. Bell, and William Thompson, Miss Carolyn Truesdale, and Mrs. Marshall, of Beaver, Pa.

Saturday evening the following young friends were invited to meet Miss Clara Brotherton at the train upon her return home from Chicago where she has been attending college: Misses Lena Sanford, Sabine Carnes, Marie Mills, Kathryn Oxley, Bonnie Bourquin, Irene McCoy, Fannie Wise, Mary Gray, Madge Yail, and Mabel Tingle, and Messrs. Bruce McCoy, James McCoy, Sam Marmoon, Frank and Will Whitlock, Wian Freeman, Charles Freiley, Willie Myers, Harry Ashton, Gibson Dildine. They went to her home on Bellefontaine avenue, where they spent a merry evening.

A crowd of girls and boys were at Miss Madge Ewing's home on Saturday evening to welcome her home from Philadelphia where she has been attending school.

The Auld Lang Syne circle will enjoy their annual picnic tomorrow afternoon at Hover Park.

The Bay View Circle meets this evening with Mrs. Howard Williamson of west Market street.

The Spinet Club will meet with Mrs. Ora Simpson next Thursday afternoon.

A delightful farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Blincoe, of west McKibben street last Thursday evening, when a large number of boys came to say good bye to Misses Mayne Bracere, Anna Kepner and Justice Lawlor who leave in a short time for Europe, where they will spend several weeks at the Paris Exposition. The evening was spent in various amusements and a dainty lunch was served. All departed wishing the young ladies a happy and safe return.

FLOWER MISSION DAY.

Flower Mission Day will be observed at the Infirmary on next Saturday, June 9th, with devotional exercises. All that are interested are invited to this basket picnic. Bring flowers. By request, the flowers are not to be distributed, until after service. Mrs. MEYERS, County Pres.

THE WHEEL OF 1900

Has "Wolf American" on its name plate, and that's a sufficient guarantee of its quality; and the prices are right. Half a dozen different models from \$25 up. Full line of Sundries. Harry Rumble, 112 north Elizabeth street, 196 6th & Wky-44 4t

Johnson's Swim is open.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Madge Ewing is home from Walnut Lane school, near Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Blanche Potter, of Defiance, is the guest of the Misses Mills, of west Market street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Critten, of east McKibben street, are visiting friends in Troy, Ohio.

Charles Fangle and wife, of Lima are guests of George Ackery and family in this city.—Sidney News.

Julius Ratterman, of Sidney, was the guest yesterday of Miss Edna Davis, of 624 south West street.

Mrs. Fred Montanus, of Sidney, was the guest yesterday of her sister, Mrs. W. D. Gallagher, of north Elizabeth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Carnes, of east Eureka street, returned home yesterday, after a weeks visit with friends in Delphos.

Mrs. W. A. Brundige, of 207 north West street, who has been visiting her parents at Plymouth, O., will return home this week.

Mrs. John Stoddish and daughter Viola, of Cincinnati, are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, of north Jackson street.

Mrs. J. M. Weaver, of east High street, has been entertaining Mrs. G. B. McCally and daughter, of Dayton, for the past week.

Mrs. Frederick Seymour and her youngest son will arrive tomorrow for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Townsend and other relatives and friends.

Rev. Henry Moeller D. D., chancellor of the Cincinnati Archdiocese, and secretary to Archbishop Elder, has been selected as a worthy successor to the late Bishop Watterson for the Columbus diocese.

J. V. Dimond and sister Miss Mary Dimond, left yesterday for Lafayette, Ind., where Mr. Dimond will tomorrow lead to the altar as his bride, Miss Ella J. Noonan. Lew Dimond left to-day for Lafayette to the wedding.

CARD OF THANKS.

In our sad bereavement and while we mourn the loss of a kind and loving wife and mother we will always cherish in fond remembrance the kindness, affection and attention manifested by the Rebekah lodge, neighbors and friends during her continued sickness and death. We desire to thank all who contributed to the many beautiful floral offerings. J. D. BENSON AND CHILDREN.

MARRIED.

At the Grace M. E. parsonage by the Rev. W. H. Leatherman, on Sunday afternoon, June 3, 1900, Mr. Clarence W. Buntingler and Miss Jennie E. Howell, both of Wapakoneta. The young people were well acquainted with the Reverend when he was pastor of Wapakoneta M. E. church. They are well and favorably known to many in Lima.

L. O. T. M. TO-NIGHT.

The regular review of the Allen Hive, No. 197, L. O. T. M. will be held Monday evening in the Douze block at 7:30 o'clock.

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